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# Hello...



There's nothing more satisfying than knowing you have a stash of handmade cards ready to go, so this issue we kick start 2015 with over 30 great card making

ideas covering themes from Valentine's to moving house. In addition to all the wonderful card makes, our designers have been busy upcycling, including a beautiful chest of draws created by talented designer Sarah Jackman-Read using *Papermania's* new

wonderfully bright Simply Floral range.

Look out for special offers for Simply Floral and other new products in your *docrafts Creativity Essentials Voucher Booklet*, redeemable at a *docrafts* stockist near you.

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**Sarah Jackman-Read**

What to do with lace papers, embossing folders or pompoms, as well as upcycling a chest of drawers and not getting muddy in the kid's garden has kept Sarah busy.



**Beckie Dreyer**

Beckie has been putting the Little Meow kitties through their paces with both the cover gift decoupage and a bendy card, while her chef card should turn up the heat!



**Trish Latimer**

Welcome home those new house owners with Trish's glorious new home gate fold card, shaped and personalised to reflect a new beginning.



**Jill Pryor**

Nothing says romance more than hearts and chocolate so Jill's tempting Valentine's Day biscuits are sure to get you in the mood for love!

## This issue's crafters

Meet some of the talented designers behind our project makes!



**Sharon Dobson**

If you love Sharon's country cuties on the cover, then you'll love the whole family! She also used the Victorian Valentine collection on a vintage card and a teacup centrepiece.



**Keren Baker**

If you ever wondered what to do with bubble wrap, other than as a fun way to spend a rainy afternoon, then Keren has the answer in Fancy That!



**Becky James**

Becky has been busy with rosette and daisy dies, decoupage and a Bellissima frame as well as upcycling a light bulb and finding a yummy use for the cover gift papers!



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Pop up cards are always a fun way to say 'hello' but Katie says 'be mine' with the new Xcut pop up die. She also gets in a spin making a card with the rosette die.

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## Congratulations!

Adeinne Tonner was our lucky winner of the *Creativity* magazine issue 51 competition to win a bundle of *docrafts* tools and storage worth over £250. The competition was one of our most popular yet and we were inundated with entries so Adeinne was very lucky indeed! If you have any suggestions for competition prizes or there's something you would love to win then drop us an email at [Creativity@docrafts.com](mailto:Creativity@docrafts.com) as we'd like to offer you the chance of winning it! Check back here next issue to see who won issue 52's bundles of *Papermania* Capsule craft supplies! Make sure you turn to page 15 to enter this issue's competition too.



ADEINNE  
WON THIS!



## Jet-setting in 2015

This January, *docrafts* is on the move as we travel to the The Craft & Hobby Association (CHA) 2015 Conference & Trade Show in Anaheim, California on the 9th-13th January, then to Creativeworld in Frankfurt on the 31st January-3rd February. We'll be hosting workshops, showing off our lovely new products and getting them in the hands of potential retailers - meaning that our craft goodies will be spread far and wide! Craft shows are always inspiring and keep us on the pulse of the latest craft trends. We'll be flying all over the world this year to ensure our exciting new products are available to you, wherever you may be!

## DATES FOR YOUR CRAFT DIARY

January						
M	T	W	T	F	S	S
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8

February						
M	T	W	T	F	S	S
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8

## Inspired by these dates?

Share your makes with us at: [Creativity@docrafts.com](mailto:Creativity@docrafts.com)

## January 1st

Time for some crafting resolutions for 2015.

## February 14th

Get in the mood for love with some crafty makes.

## February 19th

It's Chinese New Year so send a card if you know someone who's celebrating!

## This issue...

Money  
off!



## WIN ONE OF THREE PRIZE BUNDLES!

Ever been tempted to start scrapbooking, or are you an established scrapbooker in need of some new supplies? Turn to page 15 to find three scrapbooking prize bundles up for grabs, each worth over £100!



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Find money-saving vouchers inside your *Creativity Essentials* booklet. Why not try a taster of the new collections?



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## In our basket

Simply Floral is an exciting new collection from *Papermania*, packed with ditsy florals, full blooms and butterflies, contrasted with polka dots, stripes and gypsy borders. This pretty range is a must-have for crafters and the injection of mustard and navy blue against the soft pastels creates a striking colourway ideal for scrapbooking and card making. One of our favourite products is the tactile crochet trims pack – simply beautiful!

You can find project makes using this blooming gorgeous new collection in both this issue and February's issue. Turn to page 28 to find two colourful decoupage cards made by Becky James using the A4 decoupage packs. By now you will have spotted your gift of a Simply Floral assorted ribbon pack and a 6 x 6" patterned paper pack. Put them to good use on page 64 with a gift every recipient will love!

1. 6 x 6" Paper Pack RRP £4
2. Stitched Trims RRP £4
3. 6 x 6" Decoupage Card Kit  
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4. Crochet Trims RRP £4
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**A kit full of kittens** The Little Meow stationery pack is filled with cards, papers, decoupage, ribbon and more! RRP £14.95



**Do it with doilies** The vintage trend is here to stay so make the most of it with the four new filigree doily dies from *Xcut*. RRP £9.95



**Love to craft** Valentine's is upon us so indulge in some romantic crafting using *Papermania's* Victorian Valentine range. From RRP £1.50

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## THIS MONTH'S TREND ALERT

Valentine's Day has become a must-craft occasion over the past few years as the popularity for everything 'homespun' has boomed, and here at *docrafts Creativity* we embrace any event that gets us in the mood to craft! However, Valentine's Day needn't be just about crafting for your one and only; everyone appreciates messages and tokens of love, so this year, make Valentine's Day all about spreading some love to those around you. From baking biscuits or cupcakes for your work colleagues to sending your best friend a Valentine's card, there are lots of willing recipients for your home-made goods! We have many new love themed products from *docrafts* to help you on your way, including dies, embossing folders and the new Victorian Valentine collection. You'll find ideas on pages 18-26 to get you started. Make sure to upload your heartfelt makes to *docrafts.com*!



## Attention!

### MAKE



Make Valentine's Day crafts!  
*Xcut A6 Embossing Folder  
Hearts and Kisses*. RRP £3

### BAKE



Bake fancy cupcakes with  
*Little Venice Cake Company  
Cupcake Wrappers*. RRP £3.99

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Buy a *Roald Dahl  
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stickers make pretty  
sentiments. RRP £3.50



Easter will soon be here!  
Start early with *Anita's  
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homespun, rustic touch to  
your projects. RRP £2

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# Country cuties

These furry friends make the most gorgeous gift boxes - if you can bear to part with them!



## Top tip

Add extra character to your creatures by sticking little gems to the corner of their eyes to make them sparkle into life



**Sharon Dobson**  
A weekend make

Bringing the outdoors inside has been a major trend recently, with foxes, owls, deer and horses making their way from the countryside on to furnishings, fashion and stationery. I'm a huge fan of anything cute and furry and had great fun turning some *Papermania* Bare Basics pillow boxes into a selection of quirky characters, from a debonair badger to a handsome prize-winning highland cow.

Use the templates on page 93 to cut out the pieces needed for each character. Ink all the cardstock edges throughout each make and use

co-ordinating buttons for ears and noses.

Why not try designing your own characters, you could even emboss their coats with the animal print embossing dies from *Xcut* to add extra detail.

**Fox** Cover a pillow box with orange cardstock and add the features, attaching the tail with 3D foam squares. Add a red cardstock tongue.

**Badger** Cover the pillow box with black cardstock and glue the face and body features in place. Add

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**Papermania Bare Basics**  
Kraft Gift Pillow Boxes  
(PMA 174013)  
RRP £3

a red ribbon bow tie with two adhesive pearls under as buttons.

**Hedgehog** Glue the features to the pillow box, using 3D foam squares for the face, and add kraft cardstock paws. Die cut five large brown cardstock circles and two smaller circles. Fold all the circles in half, then snip into them to create spines around the edge. Glue the folded large circles to the back of the box and the smaller folded circles to the head, adding a

snipped fringe. Attach a spotted ribbon bow.

**Squirrel** Cover the pillow box in red cardstock and glue on the features, adding the paws and the head with 3D foam squares. Add red and white 'tufts' to the tail and stick to the box back. Cut the pillow box tag in half, add a heart and string bow and stick between the paws.

**Highland cow** Cut long fringes into mid brown cardstock to cover the box then add the head

with 3D foam squares. Add fringed pieces to his head and curl to see his eyes. Make a rosette from blue ribbon and a button and attach.

## MUST ♥ HAVES

- ♥ **Papermania Bare Basics** Kraft Gift Pillow Boxes RRP £3
- ♥ **Capsule Brights** Assorted Ribbon RRP £3.50
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- ♥ **Xcut** Nesting Dies Circle RRP £9.95

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**Die-cut...**  
with A4 alphabet  
bunting dies

# Must ♥ haves

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# Curious kitties

Beckie explains how to make this bendy card featuring the cutest of kitties







**Beckie Dreyer**  
An afternoon make

Turn to page 96 to find the full list of craft supplies used to make Beckie's project

Get the look



**Papermania Little Meow**

Visit [docrafts.com](http://docrafts.com) to discover the full collection



A4 Ultimate Die-cut & Paper Pack (PMA 160182)  
RRP £11.95

The new *Papermania Little Meow* range is just filled with sweetness from these cute kitties! They are sure to warm anyone's heart seeing them playfully leap across the papers. I decided to create a bendy card which is a brilliant shape for adding dimension, and easy to post. With so many beautifully co-ordinated embellishments your creations will be purrrfect!

### To make the tab insertion points

- 1 Cut three panels of white cardstock: 16 x 18cm (the back panel), 16 x 8.5cm (the left flap) and 16 x 4.5cm (the right flap).
- 2 Score the left and right flaps 1cm in along one of the short edges, then draw a pencil line 0.5cm in along the opposite short edge. Draw a tapered tab within the pencil line border, and cut along the pencil line, around the tabs.
- 3 Take the back panel, measure 11cm along the 16cm side and draw a vertical pencil line down the panel. Place the left flap on the back panel with the bottom edges and the pencil lines aligned. On the back panel, mark the position of the left flap's tab.
- 4 Draw a vertical line 8cm from the scored end on the left flap. Place the right flap on the left flap, aligning the bottom edges and the pencil lines. On the left tab, mark the position of the right flap's tab.
- 5 Use a craft knife to cut slits in the pencil lines on the back panel and the left flap to make the tab insertion points at the positions marked.

### Decorating the Little Meow card

- 1 Cover the inside of the back panel with green paper and mat with 'Cat in a tree' patterned paper. Recut the tab insertion point.
- 2 Embellish with white lace trim, three hand-cut paper pennants, sentiments and a heart die-cut. Stamp the bunting stamp across the top of the pennants. Attach punched pink paper daisies, embellished with gems, and add 'Meow!' using alphabet stickers.
- 3 Cover the left flap with brown spotted paper and die cut a flower border along the top. Add a flower border die cut from yellow cardstock behind. Add blue lace trim, a die-cut border and pink buttons. Recut the tab insertion point.
- 4 Cover the right flap with blue floral paper, randomly stamp paw prints and add a floral ribbon border. Assemble the Little Meow decoupage, adhere over the ribbon and trim. Add ribbon and mini 3D paper bows, buttons, a stitched ribbon tag and gems.
- 5 Fold along the score lines of the two flaps and glue to the outside of the back panel.
- 6 Cover the insides of the flaps and the outside of the back panel with paper, die-cuts and sentiments.
- 7 Insert the tab on the left flap into the tab insertion point on the back panel. Insert the tab on the right flap in the tab insertion point on the left flap.

### How to... fold the front flaps







**Sharon Dobson**  
A afternoon make

Turn to page 96 to find the full list of craft supplies used to make Sharon's project

## Cupid's bow

Send an arrow through the heart with this Victorian inspired Valentine's Day card full of vintage charm

**W**ith Valentine's Day just around the corner, it's time to spoil your loved one and indulge in some seriously romantic heartfelt crafting to let them know how much you care. I've used the stunning Victorian Valentine range to create a vintage-inspired card that's all about love and romance, with a beautiful lacy paper heart blending perfectly into the scheme and providing

the basis of the shaped card blank. Layers of decorated hearts, a gorgeously authentic Victorian decoupaged Cupid and clusters of beautiful embellishments add a touch of luxury to this pretty card, while the kraft cardstock and black stitching steer it away from becoming too sweet. All I have to do now is decide who to send it to – Colin Firth or Benedict Cumberbatch? Hmm, decisions!

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## Get the look



### Papermania Victorian Valentine

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Essentials booklet



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Paper Pack (PMA 160176)  
RRP £11.95



A5 Clear Stamps Set  
(PMA 907442) RRP £8.95

## Victorian Valentine card

**1** Cover an A5 card blank with pale blue paper. Ink the edges of this and each paper and cardstock element used throughout the making of the card with chocolate coloured ink. Stamp the dove image a few times in the bottom right corner, and heat emboss in gold. Machine stitch thin strips of kraft cardstock in the corner, as shown.

**2** Heat emboss the edges of a lace paper heart in gold. Hand-cut a heart-shaped aperture from the centre, distress the edges and pierce a border of holes. Mat the lace paper first on sepia patterned paper, then on kraft cardstock, trimming to fit and distressing the edges. Glue in place on the card front and cut away any of the card blank that shows above the heart, creating a shaped card.

**3** Create a smaller heart as explained in the 'How to' steps below. Glue this heart frame on top of the embossed heart, slightly overlapping the card's spine. Tuck hand-cut paper strips and ribbon below the heart frame. Add red cardstock pennants, with stitched detail.

**4** Assemble the Cupid decoupage and glue on the heart frame, over the aperture. Mat a Valentine sentiment on kraft cardstock, zigzag stitching some borders, and glue to the card front, tucking into the decoupage and adding a small piece of lace underneath.

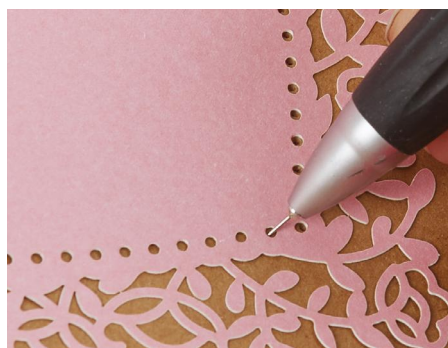
**5** Cut a small banner from a die-cut sentiment and add to the bottom right corner of the card, bending a little to give dimension.



**6** Cover two circular die-cuts with Anita's 3D Gloss and allow to dry. Add an extra vintage touch by bending the die-cut circles to crack the gloss and inking to highlight the cracks. Add to the card, one on the kraft heart and the other topping a velvet and grosgrain bow at the top of the heart.

**7** Embellish the card with a silver metal button and a red rose charm and add some adhesive gems and pearls to finish.

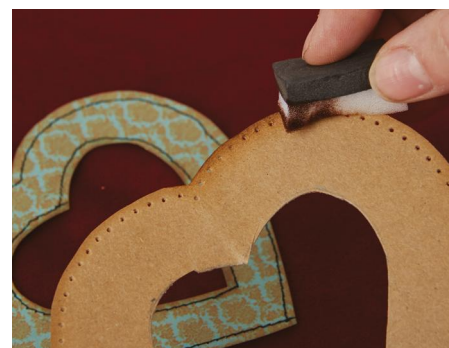
## How to... make the heart frame



**1** Use the holes in a piece of heart-shaped lace paper as a guide to pierce a border of holes through on to kraft cardstock, using the piercing nib of a 4 in 1 embossing tool.



**2** Cut out the kraft cardstock heart, leaving a narrow border around the pierced holes. Draw a heart 2.5cm in from the edge and cut out.



**3** Cut a heart-shaped frame from patterned paper and machine stitch around the edges. Ink the edges of both hearts and layer together with 3D foam tape.



# Craft with pastels!

Pick a few soft and soothing pastels for a fresh and clean look to your crafting

♥ **Papermania** Adhesive Stones Pale Pink ♥ Silver RRP £1.50 each



♥ **Papermania Capsule** 8 x 8" Solid Premium Cardstock Colossal RRP £14.95



Pick pastels



♥ **Papermania Capsule Pastels** 12 x 12" Designstax RRP £16.95



♥ **Papermania Capsule Pastels** Assorted Ribbon RRP £3.50

♥ **Capsule Wild Rose** Jumbo Crochet Trim RRP £4

With springtime fast approaching I can't resist getting out the pastel colours again and getting on with some crafting to lift the spirits. Have a good look through your craft stash, or stock up on the above, to find lots of soft and soothing pastel colour tones that are just perfect to make light and bright spring and summer projects.

I used the Xcut A4 Cuckoo Clock Die to make a little bird house to fill with lots of lovely chocolates and chose many different shades of pastel colours to decorate it with. If chocolate is not on the menu, fill with buttons or other knick-knacks as a lovely, original gift. Your very

own 'love nest', complete with love birds, would make the perfect Valentine's Day gift too.

## 'Love nest' gift box

- 1 Use the Xcut A4 Cuckoo Clock Die to die cut a front and back section, without the roof, from pink cardstock, die cutting a circular aperture in the front panel.
- 2 Before assembling the box, cut out a rectangular aperture in each side panel using a craft knife, then fix a piece of acetate behind each aperture, including the front panel, to form windows. Fold along the score lines
- 3 Using the front section die as a template, draw around the inside of the die on two different patterns of pastel paper. Cut out the shapes then die cut the circular aperture in one piece and adhere to the front of the box. Adhere the other piece to the back of the box.
- 4 Hand cut two frames from blue cardstock and fix around the windows

and assemble the box using a hot glue gun or strong tape. This will form the base of the project to add decoration.

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on the side panels, using double-sided tape, to give a neat edge.

**5** Die cut two roof sections from blue cardstock and join together on the tabs to form the roof. Adhere one side to the top of the clock and leave the other side open as a flap. Die cut the roof tiles from a selection of Capsule Pastels papers and adhere to the roof.

**6** Die cut the roof die twice more using lemon cardstock. Cut the scalloped edge from each piece and attach them to the front sides of the box as shown, trimming to fit.

**7** Use the scalloped circles dies to die cut frames from pink and lemon cardstock and glue around the front window. Die cut two birds from the mixed birds die set and the leaf borders from the A5 die set, and attach to the front of the box. Add small flowers punched from Capsule Pastels papers to the branches.

**8** Make a tag from lemon cardstock, wrap pink crochet trim around the tag and add a sentiment and a bow.

**9** Finish with sparkly gems and fill with your favourite sweets.







**Katie Skilton**  
An afternoon make

# Pop up love

Transform your card making with this fantastic pop up insert die from *Xcut*. It's heart-stopping fun to craft with!

**W**hether for Valentine's Day or just showing that special person how much you love them, the new *Xcut* Pop Up Love Card A5 Die Set is the perfect craft tool to create those special cards. Use the dies to create a modern and vibrant card with a pop up insert and a stylish card front. Instead of using traditional colours, this purple and turquoise card has a modern twist but still gives

a heartfelt, traditional Valentine's Day message. Use this die on any card just to say how much you care.

## To make the pop up insert

- 1 Place the pop up frame die from the *Xcut* Pop Up Love Card A5 Die Set on light purple cardstock and die cut. Fold all the scored lines so the hearts pop forwards when the card is folded.

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**2** Adhere turquoise cardstock behind the purple die-cut pop out panel to cover all the gaps behind the hearts. Cut darker purple cardstock to 21 x 15cm and score down the centre. Cut a slightly smaller panel of orange cardstock, score down the centre and mat on the darker purple cardstock. Secure the pop out panel to the centre, ensuring it folds accurately.

**3** Die cut three more pop up frames from orange and turquoise cardstock and white glitter paper. Cut off the hearts and then die cut the words 'be' in a white glitter heart, 'mine' in a turquoise heart and a small heart in an orange heart. Adhere the cut-out hearts to the corresponding hearts on the pop out die-cut panel.

**4** Cut two 2 x 13cm strips of turquoise cardstock, wrap ribbon around each and adhere to each side of the die-cut pop out panel. Add a white glitter paper die-cut Cupid and a ribbon bow to the left ribbon.

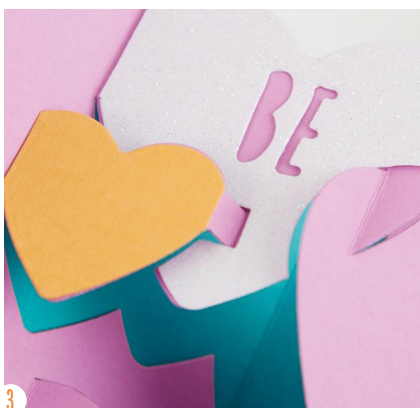
**5** Add co-ordinating small punched hearts to the pop out panel using 3D foam dots. Add adhesive stones to embellish.



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## To make the card front

**6** Mat a panel of turquoise cardstock to the front of the card.

**7** Cut white cardstock to 8.5cm x 12cm and orange cardstock slightly larger. Die cut a square in the top section of the white cardstock and a slightly larger square in the same position in the orange cardstock. Glue the orange over the white cardstock, lining up the apertures. Wrap ribbon around the panels.

**8** Spritz white glitter cardstock with mint and violet spritzing ink and leave to dry. Trim to fit behind the square apertures and secure using 3D foam dots.

**9** Die cut a cupid from white glitter cardstock, spritz as before and attach to the ribbon with 3D foam dots. Die cut 'Love' in a white glitter paper die-cut heart and attach to the spritzed panel. Glue green bakers twine between the heart and the ribbon and add a ribbon bow.

**10** Embellish the frame with adhesive stones and adhere the panel to the card front.

## MUST ♥ HAVES

♥ Create Christmas A4 Glitter Paper Pack RRP £5.95

♥ Xcut A5 Die Set Pop Up Card Love RRP £19.95

♥ Small Palm Punch Traditional Heart RRP £3

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For a sparkly effect add  
a little edible glitter to  
the tiles and hearts







**Jill Pryor**  
A day make

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# Cookie love

Give your Valentine a treat with these romantic cookie boxes

**T**hese sweet cookie boxes, decorated with hearts and filled with treats, may well have been sent by Cupid as they taste as good as they look and make a perfect Valentine's Day gift.

**1** Make a batch of chocolate cookie dough, wrap in greaseproof paper and refrigerate for about 30 minutes. Knead the dough and roll to 5-6mm thick, using a *Little Venice Cake Company* Flat Smoother to level out the surface.

**2** Use the heart template on page 93 to cut out four large hearts in the dough for each box using a blade modelling tool then, using a palette knife, transfer them carefully to a lined baking tray.

**3** Cut out a heart shape inside two of the hearts with a heart cutter to make a heart-shaped frame. Each cookie box needs two solid and two heart-shaped frame cookies. Bake the cookies for eight minutes in the centre of the oven. Leave to cool on a cooling rack.

**TIP** As soon as you remove the cookies from the oven, re-cut the small hearts to create a perfect centre if necessary. If the cookies cool and become too hard, pop them back in the oven for one minute.

**4** Mix up a batch of royal icing in two separate bowls. Add concentrated edible food colouring to each to create bright pink and red icing. Add water, a teaspoon at a time to each, to make flood consistency icing. Lift up a spoonful and drop the icing back down on the surface – if it settles smoothly in about 10 seconds then this is perfect. If it is too runny, add more icing sugar to stiffen. Using a #3 nozzle, pipe the flood icing around the edge of a heart then fill in the middle to make the box lid.

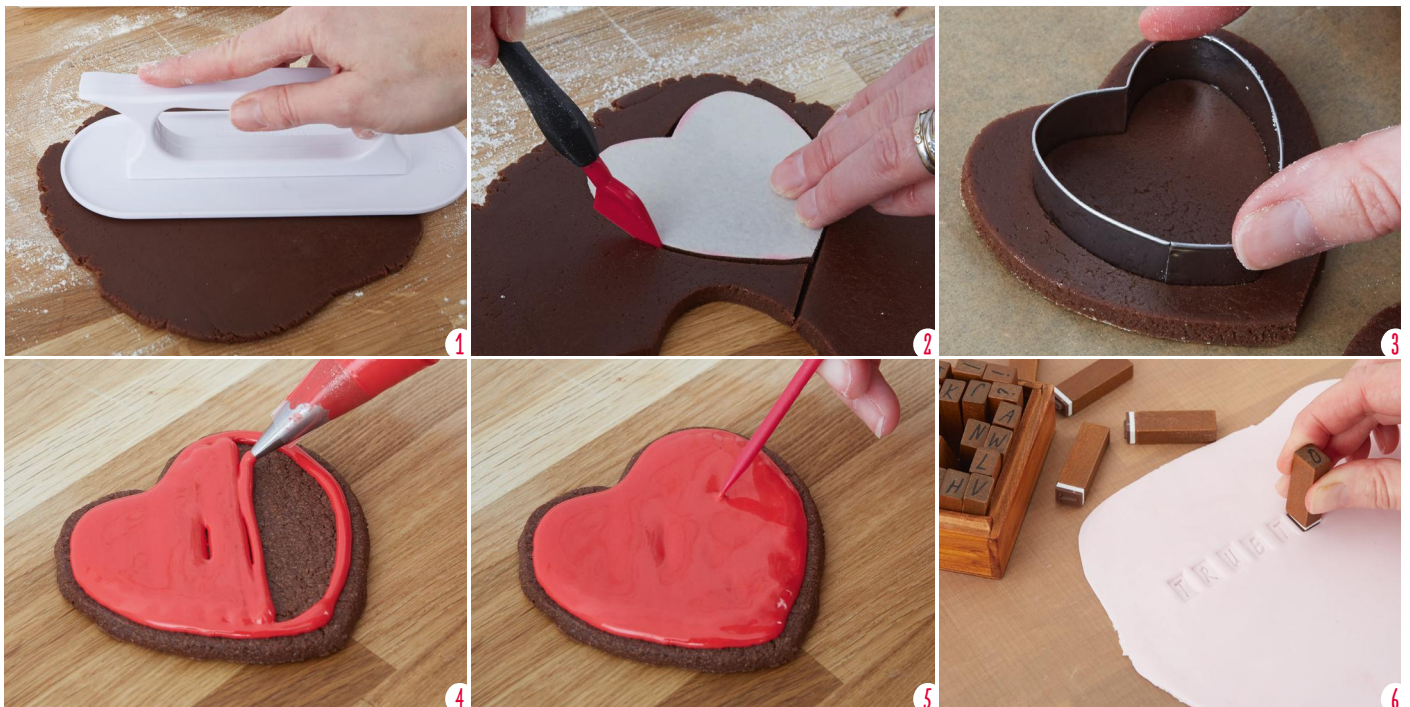
**5** Even out the icing with a small flower veining modelling tool, popping any air bubbles, then leave to dry on a flat surface. Repeat to ice all the heart box lids, using pink or red icing.

**6** Roll out pale pink modelling paste (sugarpaste with Tylo Powder added to it) to approximately 2mm thick on a non-stick baking sheet. Press clean *Papermania* Bare Basics Wooden Alphabet Stamps into the paste to spell out a heartfelt sentiment, making sure both the letter and the outside edge are clearly imprinted in the paste.  
**TIP** Keep stamps used for cake decoration separate from your craft stamps and sterilize the stamps with baby bottle sterilizing fluid before using.

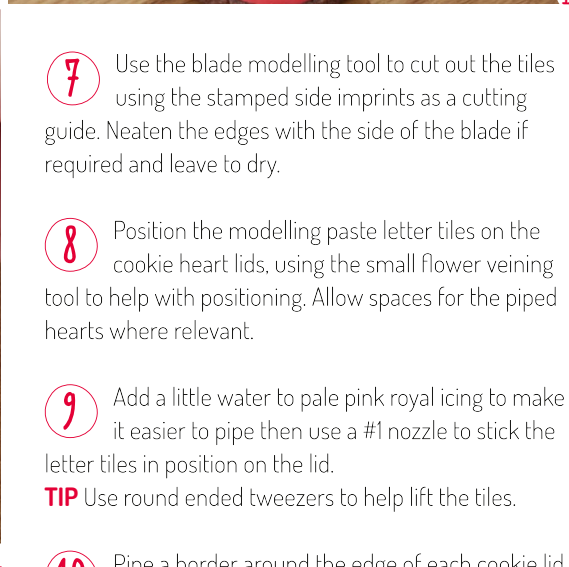
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**7** Use the blade modelling tool to cut out the tiles using the stamped side imprints as a cutting guide. Neaten the edges with the side of the blade if required and leave to dry.

**8** Position the modelling paste letter tiles on the cookie heart lids, using the small flower veining tool to help with positioning. Allow spaces for the piped hearts where relevant.

**9** Add a little water to pale pink royal icing to make it easier to pipe then use a #1 nozzle to stick the letter tiles in position on the lid.

**TIP** Use round ended tweezers to help lift the tiles.

**10** Pipe a border around the edge of each cookie lid, using an even pressure and a lift and drag action.

**TIP** If you make a mistake, remove the icing with the small flower veining tool and try again. You can also blend joins together using this technique.

**11** With the same watered icing, create the mini icing hearts by piping two evenly sized pearls side by side with one directly underneath, then blending them together into a heart shape with the small flower veining tool. Pipe small pearls for tiny hearts and larger ones for big hearts.

**12** Assemble the cookie boxes using either royal icing or a chocolate flavoured filling as a glue. Fill with chocolates or sweets and enjoy!



**Little Venice Cake Company** Heart Cutter (LVC 260104) RRP £1.25



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**Becky James**  
Afternoon makes

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# Say it with florals

Shake off the winter blues with these blooming bright decoupage cards made using the colourful new Simply Floral range

Everyone is loving everything floral at the moment, making *Papermania's* Simply Floral range the height of fashion. Whether you are a lover of pretty pastels or bright and bold you will find

beautiful images in this collection just waiting to be turned into gorgeous creations. I have explored both these possibilities with my designs – I hope they inspire you to try your own!

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## 'Birthday wishes' card

**1** Trim navy patterned paper from the Simply Floral bright blooms decoupage pack to 12.5 x 12.5cm, cut the corners with an inverted corner punch and mat on cerise pink textured cardstock, leaving a narrow border. Punch the corners in the cardstock to match. Adhere the panel on the front of a Simply Floral 6 x 6" card blank.

**2** Use an Xcut Screw Hole Punch to pierce holes along the length of a die-cut pink scalloped border. Glue a strip of red patterned paper, a die-cut navy polka dot strip and a length of pink organza ribbon to the border. Glue down the right side of the card, overlapping the navy panel.

**3** Adhere the orange doily base decoupage piece from the bright blooms decoupage pack in the middle of the navy panel and attach a doily style die-cut notelet to the centre. Layer the remaining decoupage on the bottom left of the doilies.

**4** Arrange two die-cut butterflies as shown and tuck the 'Especially for you greeting' under the 'wishes' banner on the decoupage design. Balance this by adding a die-cut rose and a lilac tag on the top left of the navy panel.

**5** Finish by adding a yellow ribbon bow topped with a mini flower button, and embellish with pink adhesive gems.

## 'Friend' card

**1** Trim striped paper from the pastel blooms decoupage pack to 10 x 14cm and glue on cardstock for added strength. Cut lilac patterned paper to 8.5 x 13.5cm, punch a dotted scalloped border down one long side and adhere on the left of the striped paper.

**2** In the lower half of the panel, layer white crochet trim, purple and green die-cut borders, pink stitched trim and brown string, wrapping the fabric trims around to the back of the panel to secure. Attach the panel to an A6 white card blank using 3D foam tape.

**3** Assemble the pastel blooms decoupage image then attach to the left of the card front, overlapping the layered borders.

**4** Add the greetings as shown, tucking inside the decoupage details for a natural feel to the project. Balance this with a tag, topped with a small punched flower, in the top right corner.

**5** Finish by tucking a green ribbon bow under the decoupage, top with a die-cut butterfly and add a sprinkling of sparkle using Glitz it Iridescent Glitter Glue.



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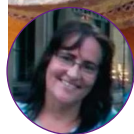


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SPOTTED MAKE

Mark Taylor



I literally fell into crafting after an accident when I fell from a ladder and wasn't able to work for a long time. I prefer projects that are quick and easy. This is one of the reasons that the Capsule ranges are so great to craft with – less to have to think about – more time to craft! My spotted make was made from Capsule French Lavender papers, plus the Xcut die gift from November's *Creativity* magazine.



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# Coming up daisies

This feminine card has the prettiest of apertures which you'll want to recreate on a whole range of cards

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**Becky James**  
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**W**hen I saw the gorgeous Xcut Daisy Chain Frame Die a whole host of ideas came to mind for stunning projects using the individual elements included within the set. Incredibly versatile in its design, it can be used to create anything from individual flowers to building heavily layered borders and detailed corners. However, it was the main frame that really caught my eye for creating unique focal apertures – learn how to get perfect results yourself with this simple yet pretty project.

### Daisy chain frame card

**1** Trim Capsule Eau de Nil patterned paper to 14.5 x 14.5cm, mat on kraft cardstock, leaving a narrow border and attach to the front of a 6 x 6" tent fold card blank. Blend chocolate ink around all paper elements for a soft vintage feel.

**2** Mat a 13.4 x 13.4cm piece of Capsule French Lavender paper on kraft cardstock.

**3** Place the daisy chain frame base die in the middle of the French Lavender panel, holding in place with craft tape, and die cut to create an aperture in the shape of the wreath. Adhere acetate behind the aperture. Attach this aperture panel to the middle of the Eau de Nil panel, using 3D foam tape.

**4** To make the daisy wreath, die cut the frame base in kraft cardstock, the small, medium and large daisies in white cardstock and the leaves in green cardstock. Use the frame base as a guide for sizes and numbers of the daisies and leaves. Die cut more if you wish to decoupage the wreath.



**5** Assemble the wreath die-cuts, using adhesive roller dots or a *Sailor 2 In 1* Glue Pen. Attach the leaves first, shaping, and shading with ink, then attach the flowers. Where the flowers are in groups of three, attach the smaller flowers first and overlap with the larger flowers. Finish with gem centres.



**TIP** Use *Little Venice Cake Company* dowelling rods to shape the daisy petals.

**6** Line up the base frame of the wreath over the aperture on the card front and attach to the acetate with 3D foam dots.

**7** Using 3D foam tape, add a circular *Papermania Bellissima* die-cut bird house topper and a sentiment of your choice in the centre of the aperture, tucking under the leaves and flowers where necessary.

**8** Finish by adding a large Capsule French Lavender ribbon bow topped with a pink button to the bottom right of the wreath, using a hot glue gun, and decorating the corners with a geometric pattern of adhesive gems.

### MUST HAVES

♥ **Papermania Capsule Eau de Nil**  
8 x 8" Paper Pack RRP £5.95

♥ **Capsule French Lavender** 8 x 8" Paper Pack RRP £5.95

♥ Large Ribbon Bows RRP £3

♥ **Xcut A5 Die Set Daisy Chain Frame** RRP £19.95

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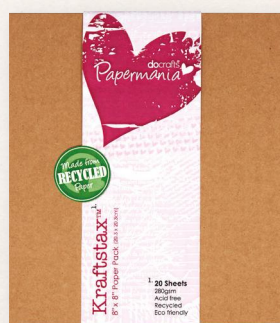
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# On the page



We fly high this month as Deborah shows us how to get hot with balloons

I have loved all the Bellissima collections so far. However, this new one is by far my favourite. I am a real pastels girl, so the pretty shades of pink, peach, lemon, sage, pastel blue and lilac are right up my street! The papers are packed full of images including flowers, butterflies, doilies, frames, hot air balloons and text. The collection also boasts several decoupage sheets, bunting, bows, trims, buttons and my personal favourite - the beautiful charm pack. I loved the dreamy feel of the hot air balloons, so I found a photo in the style and colours to match, and based the theme around this.

## Title

I started the title on the banner at the top of the page and then continued with the Bellissima alphabet stickers, grounding it to the balloon basket with a resin flower.

## Hot air balloon theme

I wanted to try and recreate the hot air balloon theme so I followed the general colour and shape to create a template that I used to make the balloon, described below.

## Doily detail

I added detail by using the Bellissima doily stamp on the top right edge of the page. I then cut five lengths of ribbon in rainbow shades, trimmed the ends into a diagonal and adhered them down the doily stamp and slightly over the

side. I then layered a half doily with a banner, cut from one of the papers, and decorated with a resin flower.

## Paper frames and clouds

For a dreamy, almost surreal effect, I cut out three frame images from Bellissima 12 x 12" patterned papers and adhered one to each of the bottom corners of the photo and one slightly to the side using 3D foam tape. I linked the two on the right with tiny bunting made from paper triangles. I then cut out and adhered images of clouds with hot air balloons on the layout.

## Honeycomb detail

I again stamped the doily design overlapping the bottom right of the page. I die cut the honeycomb in kraft cardstock from the bee keeping die set, trimmed a piece off and adhered it over the doily stamp with a die-cut balloon, a resin flower and a large clip. I also added some honeycomb peeping out from the hot air balloon to add more texture.

## Bunting

To connect the frames below the photo, I folded four of the mini bunting pieces over the twine and adhered the backs in place on the page. I then decorated the end with a 3D bow, a resin flower and a hot air balloon charm. I trailed the ends of the twine to look like they were swinging in the breeze.

## How to... construct the paper-pieced balloon



1 Beginning on the outside working inwards, use the template on page 93 to trace the outline of the first three pieces of the balloon on Bellissima patterned papers. Adhere these together.



2 Use the middle section template on page 93 to cut kraft cardstock and adhere a page from an old book to the right hand side. Trim the paper to fit and add to the middle of the balloon.



3 Trace and cut out the whole basket in green paper and the front only in kraft cardstock. Adhere together using 3D foam dots. Add to the layout using pink Bellissima ribbon to join the balloon and basket together.

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# A blooming great Guody Bag

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This month's *docrafts* Goody Bag is nothing short of versatile so be warned crafters – once opened you won't be able to stop!

### 'With love' card

Overlap four pennants cut from *Simply Floral* papers on a kraft card blank, curling the pointed ends. Add a die-cut sentiment and a resin flower charm.

### Gift tag

Cut kraft cardstock into a tag shape, punch a border along the bottom and add *Bellissima* alphabet stickers, flowers cut from *Simply Floral* papers, paper flowers and butterflies.

### Gift bag

Cut *Simply Floral* paper to 29 x 20cm and measure and score at 9cm, 14cm, 23cm and

28cm, then 5cm up across the bottom. Cut where the score lines intersect to create tabs, and assemble the bag. Pinch the top corners together, punch holes and thread with ribbon. Add the foiled picture frame decoupage then embellish with gems or pearls.

### Bird cage card

Mat *Simply Floral* paper and a die-cut notelet to a kraft card blank. Add a bird cage and butterfly, die cut using *Xcut* dies, and paper flowers. Embellish with pearls, gems, buttons and a resin flower charm. Tie a ribbon bow and add a sentiment.

### Little Meow Mother's Day card

Mat pink cardstock and *Little Meow* paper on a square card blank with a die-cut notelet and lace paper. Add the *Little Meow* kitten

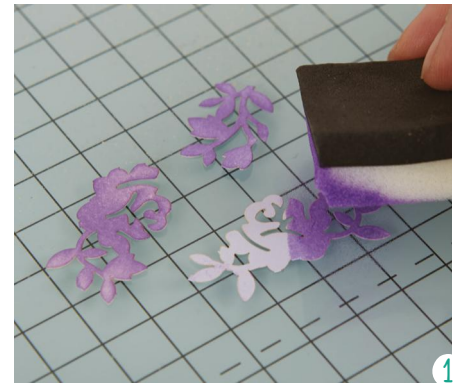
decoupage, a *Simply Floral* sentiment, a matching ribbon bow, a bell and button. Finish with brown string and *Little Meow* mini clear stamp paw prints, and embellish with gems.

### Hanging heart decoration

From a sheet of *Simply Floral* paper, cut two 5 x 25cm strips. From a second sheet cut two 5 x 20cm strips; from a third sheet cut two 5 x 16cm and from a fourth sheet cut three 5 x 12.5cm strips. Fold and glue each strip in half lengthwise. Place four strips on top of each other, with the shortest at the bottom and the longest on the top. Place the extra 12.5cm strip on top then add the remaining strips in decreasing length. Bend each strip in turn to make a heart side, gluing in place, then adhere the inside of the strips to the centre strip. Punch a hole in the top and add brown string.

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## TRICKS OF THE TRADE

*Papermania lace papers open up a realm of crafting possibilities*

### HOW TO... MAKE A BORDER AND RESIST PATTERN

**1** It's easy to play it safe with your crafting and no doubt you have some Capsule lace paper tucked away somewhere. To make a raised border, cut out individual flowers from lace paper and rub *Artiste Violet Pigment Ink* over the top.

**2** Glue to a cardstock strip and coat the strip with *Artiste Clear Embossing Ink*. Sprinkle on clear embossing powder and melt with a heat tool. Repeat the embossing twice more, building up layers of embossing powder, to give the border a raised look.

**3** To make a resist patterned background, cut out flowers and attach to a panel of cardstock with a removable adhesive roller. Stamp clear embossing ink over the top, lightly sprinkle with seafoam embossing powder and heat with a heat tool. Remove the flowers.

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## HOW TO... STENCIL



- 1 Cut two sides off a square piece of lace paper. Follow the curve of the pattern to form a slightly shaped border.



- 2 Place the border on a piece of paper and gently ink through the lace border using stamp pad foam. Leave a gap then ink another border and repeat.



- 3 Glue the inked border in a gap between the stencilling, ink a second border to match and glue in the other gap to complete the decorative panel.



## HOW TO... MAKE A FLOWER



- 1 Cut out five of the large flowers from the edge of a piece of lace paper, glue on contrasting paper and cut out, following the shape of the outside of the flower.



- 2 Cut out a small circle from paper or cardstock and arrange the cardstock flowers as petals on top, before gluing in place. Overlap the petals slightly, making sure the circle base is covered.



- 3 Add a few trimmed lace flowers on top to form a second layer of petals, shaping slightly with your fingers to give more depth. Finish the flower off with a button in the centre.

## TRIED & TESTED Lace Papers



Avril Tsui

"Lace papers are bang on

trend at the moment. These are thick and don't tear easily, making them suitable for stamping and embossing. There are three different shapes in each pack, each with a different lace edge and the perfect size to fit on an A5 card. The papers have a plain core allowing you to emboss and then sand back. You can also cut into the papers and use the floral edges as flowers on their own. The Parisienne Blue and French Lavender are only coloured on one side which is great as you can ink the other side to co-ordinate with any colour scheme."



Lisa Webster

"The patterned edges are so delicate looking. I like how you can use a whole one or cut them up to make them go even further. They are very versatile and can be used in all sorts of craft projects from boxes to cards and can be inked, stencilled or stamped."



# Furniture face-lift

Give your drawers a lift with Sarah's easy decoupage technique



**Sarah Jackman-Read**  
A weekend make



Most of us probably have an item of furniture at home that's looking a little sorry for itself and could do with some perking up. Why not have a go at this easy revamp? The A3 decoupage papers in the Simply Floral range from *Papermania* feature an array of beautiful flowers in a variety of wonderful colours, perfect for breathing new life into a tired object. These papers are the perfect thickness to achieve a smooth finish and a couple of coats of *Artiste* Matt Varnish on top ensure they're hard wearing too. Go grab an item and get decorating! Make sure to send us a picture!

## Chest of drawers

**1** Rub baby wipes over the chest of drawers to ensure they are clean and dust free. Once dry, paint the areas that won't be decoupaged. I used a small sponge to apply the paint to the sides, front and legs of the drawers. Allow to dry and then apply a second coat. Repeat this process until you are happy with the coverage. Once dry, use sandpaper to rub paint off areas to achieve a shabby chic look.

**2** Unscrew the handles from the drawers, place on newspaper and dab paint on the handles with a sponge. Allow to dry and repeat the process until the handles are fully covered.

**3** Measure the height of a drawer and divide by two to give the size of the squares

needed to form the patchwork pattern. On your chosen papers, mark the size with a pencil and ruler before cutting to size with a guillotine.

**4** Mark the centre of the width of a drawer with a pencil and apply a small area of PVA glue around the centre mark with a paint brush. Place the first square of paper so it aligns with the top of the drawer and the middle of the paper aligns with the pencil mark on the drawer. Press down to ensure the paper is stuck down completely.

**5** Add the remaining squares until the whole drawer is covered, trimming the end squares, if required, to fit. Once dry use a pencil to poke holes through the handle positions. Cover the top of the chest of drawers in the same way, starting from the centre and working outwards.

**6** Apply matt varnish over all the decoupage with a paint brush and allow to dry. Once dry, apply a second coat, leave to dry and then screw the handles back in place. Voila!

## MUST ♥ HAVES

- ♥ **Artiste** Acrylic Paint Sage RRP £1.25
- ♥ Matt Varnish RRP £2 ♥ Value Brush Pack RRP £5
- ♥ **Papermania Simply Floral** Decoupage Paper Pack RRP £3.50

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Carry on the  
theme by framing  
the papers too



# READY STEADY CRAFT!



**Sarah Jackman-Read**

With such a huge array of crafty goodies available it's sometimes a little daunting to decide what to do with them all. So we asked our Facebook Friends what they would like us to craft with, took five of those suggestions and got ready, steady to craft!

## 'Congratulations' card

- 1 Make a die-cut panel as shown in the steps below, mat on black cardstock and glue to a square card blank.
- 2 Mask the centre of an *Xcut* Floral Cluster Circle Die with cardstock, cover the whole die with felt and run through an *Xcut* A4 Xpress machine. This makes a die-cut circle with a scalloped edge. Glue to the card front and add strips of craft tape to either side, wrapping inside the card front.
- 3 Die cut three cluster circles, two in glitter vellum and one in felt. Take the butterfly die-cut leftovers, ink the edges of the vellum ones and glue all three across the felt circle.
- 4 Cover two buttons with striped craft tape and glue to the vellum butterflies. Punch a small flower from glitter vellum and glue to the felt butterfly. Add a sentiment and more flowers to finish.



- 1 **Die cut the panel** Die cut the *Xcut* Floral Cluster Circle Die several times in plain white cardstock and remove the scalloped borders with scissors.



- 2 **Colour the panel** Place the die-cut clusters on scrap paper and spray with *Artiste* Ocean Blue Spritzing Ink. Once dry, cut out clusters of flowers from the die-cuts.



- 3 **Assemble the panel** Attach sienna glitter vellum to cardstock and ink the edges. Glue a die-cut cluster circle and the cut-out flower clusters all over the vellum.

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## 'With thanks' card

- 1 Attach strips of gold craft tape around the sides of a 5 x 7" card blank.
- 2 Die cut two floral cluster circles in white cardstock. Use a removable adhesive roller to attach one of the die-cut clusters to a piece of white textured cardstock and spray *Artiste Ocean Blue Spritzing Ink* over the top. Once dry, remove the die-cut, trim the cardstock to 11 x 16cm, mat on burgundy felt and attach to the card blank.
- 3 Cut an 11 x 5cm strip of cardstock and cover with gold craft tape. Cut out the centre panel from the second die-cut cluster and glue over the craft tape panel, trimming to fit. Mat the craft tape panel on plain vellum and attach to the centre of the card so the die-cut matches up with the image on the spritzed panel.
- 4 Adhere a length of gold craft tape to the centre of a piece of vellum and use the cluster die to die cut a butterfly. Do the same with burgundy felt and attach the felt die-cut butterfly to the butterfly position on the craft tape panel. Attach the centre of the vellum butterfly to the felt butterfly, leaving the wings free.
- 5 Stamp a sentiment on white cardstock and cut an inverted V in one end. Mat on felt and attach to the right of the butterfly.
- 6 Adhere lengths of gold craft tape to two vellum strips and trim the vellum, leaving a narrow border. Punch three small butterflies in the strips, cut inverted Vs in the ends and glue to the top left and bottom right of the card. Add one of the punched butterflies to the end of the sentiment and embellish the butterfly centres with gems.

## MUST ♥ HAVES

- ♥ **Anita's** A4 Parchment Vellum Plain White RRP £3
- ♥ **Artiste** Spritzing Ink Ocean Blue RRP £4.95
- ♥ **Papermania Capsule Jewels** Patterned Craft Tape RRP £6.95
- ♥ **Felt Bundle** RRP £5.95
- ♥ **Xcut** Dies Floral Cluster Circle RRP £9.95

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**Beckie Dreyer**  
A morning make

# Turn up the heat

Got a friend who can whip up a storm in the kitchen, who fancies themselves as a master chef? This card will tickle their taste buds!



**Xcut** A5 Die Set Kitchen Utensils (XCU 503198)  
RRP £19.95



**Xcut**  
A5 Die Set Suit Card (XCU 503026) RRP £19.95



**Papermania Capsule Bexley Black** Mini Polka Buttons (PMA 354023)  
RRP £3.50

**I**t's time to cook up something wonderful with this chef-inspired card using Xcut's A5 Die Sets. With some careful die cutting and some punched squares to create the funky trousers this card will be loved by any cooking fan!

**1** Using the suit card die, die cut the jacket in white cardstock. Score down the jacket from the shoulder points and fold. This will make the back of the chef jacket.

**2** Die cut the shirt in white cardstock. Score from the outer collar points down to the bottom edge. Fold under the left side of the shirt. Round the top corner of the fold with a corner punch. This makes the front of the chef jacket.

**3** Die cut the shirt collar, fold, trim and glue behind the jacket front. Glue the jacket front to the folded flaps of the jacket back, making a pouch. Add black bakers twine to the folded edge and under the collar, using a Sailor 2 In 1 Glue Pen.

**4** Die cut the pocket and add to the jacket, gluing the sides and bottom only. Add Art Deco outline stickers and little pencil dashes to create faux stitching. Repeat the faux stitching around the jacket. Die cut a selection of kitchen utensils in silver mirror card and slot into the pocket.

**5** Die cut two buttonhole strips in white cardstock and glue down the jacket front. Add black buttons in the spaces.

**6** To make the trousers, fold a 9 x 20cm piece of black cardstock in half. Glue small white punched squares on one half in a checker board pattern and cut a small 'V' in the middle at the bottom of both ends. Attach the folded trousers to the back of the jacket, using 3D foam tape.

**7** Die cut another shirt and collar in black cardstock and glue the collar to the shirt. Add outline stickers around the edges of a white

8.5 x 12cm cardstock panel and glue the panel to the centre of the black shirt.

**8** Cut a piece of white paper to 14 x 8cm and mark points at 0.5cm, 1.5cm, 2cm, 3cm, 3.5cm, 5cm etc. along the long side. Score, then accordion fold the pleats.

**9** With the pleats vertical, place the folded paper through a circle die with the top under the die and the bottom over the die and die cut to round the top of the chef's hat.



**10** Wrap a 15 x 1cm piece of white cardstock around the hat, adding faux stitching. Die cut the word 'chef' in black cardstock and attach to the hat.

**11** Glue the chef's hat to the front of the black shirt and slide the shirt into the jacket, leaving the chef's hat sticking out of the top.

## MUST ♥ HAVES

♥ **Papermania Capsule** A4 Premium Textured Cardstock Black ♥ White RRP £4.50

♥ **Capsule Bexley Black** Mini Polka Buttons RRP £3.50

♥ **Xcut** A5 Die Set Kitchen Utensils

♥ Suit Card RRP £19.95

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# Craft the occasion

Welcome someone to their new home with this lovely, shaped card

*Personalise the card for the recipient. Why not add a die-cut pet cat or dog?*







Trish Latimer

An afternoon make

## Why not try ...



**Papermania**  
Capsule Pastels  
12 x 12" Designstax  
(PMA 160200)  
RRP £16.95



**Xcut** Large Traditional  
Heart Palm Punch  
(XCU 261805)  
RRP £6

For those of us that want to make an impression with our crafty projects, it's all about the detail. Lots of features that give plenty of interest, but with a unique feel that makes our work stand out from the crowd. Creating a detailed card like this 'love your new home' project can seem daunting, but really it's all about simple sketching! Apart from the quirky bunting, everything else on the card was created by sketching simple shapes on cardstock before cutting out.

## New home card

- 1 Cut a sheet of pale blue cardstock to 27 x 15cm. Measure along the long side at 9cm and 18cm, and score and fold across the short length, dividing it into three equal parts. This is the card base, everything else will be layered on top.
- 2 Cut two 8.8 x 15cm red cardstock rectangles and glue one to the front and one to the back of the central panel on the card base.
- 3 Cut a chimney shape from red cardstock and glue between two 9cm wide, turquoise cardstock triangles so that it comes out of the side, as shown. Sketch and cut out two 9cm scalloped strips from book print paper and use these to attach the triangles to the central panel, making the roof.
- 4 Sketch a window with sill, and a door on book print paper. Cut out and glue to the central panel. Add a turquoise and red layered cardstock heart to the door.

5 Sketch curved 'fields' from green cardstock, cut out, then glue on the panels either side of the house. Sketch tree trunks on brown cardstock and scalloped shapes from yellow spotted cardstock. Cut out, then glue these on the card base to form trees.

6 Sketch a green scalloped grassy border and two heart-shaped flowers from cardstock, cut out and glue to the side panels.

7 Decorate the back of the card in the same way, matching the trees and fields on the side panels and adding a window on the house. For a more whimsical look, outline the shapes with a thin black pen.

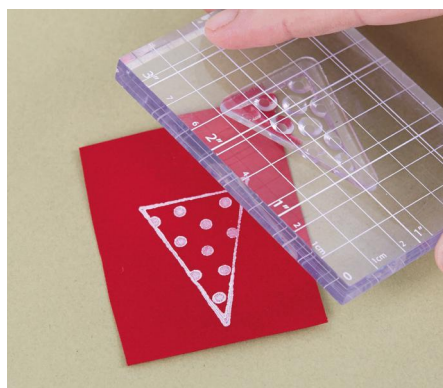
8 Type 'Your new home' into a word processing program, print out and glue to the house. Create bunting as explained in the step-by-steps below. Punch a hole in each of the trees and hang the bunting between them.

**TIP** To fold your card to fit in an envelope, concertina fold the bunting so it lies flat.

## MUST ♥ HAVES

- ♥ **Create Christmas** Gift Tag Kit RRP £5
- ♥ **Papermania** A5 Paper Pack Bookprint RRP £4
- ♥ **Bellissima** Clear Stamps Mini Frames RRP £4
- ♥ **Capsule Brights** 12 x 12" Designstax RRP £16.95
- ♥ **Xcut** Alphabet Dies Centurion RRP £12.95

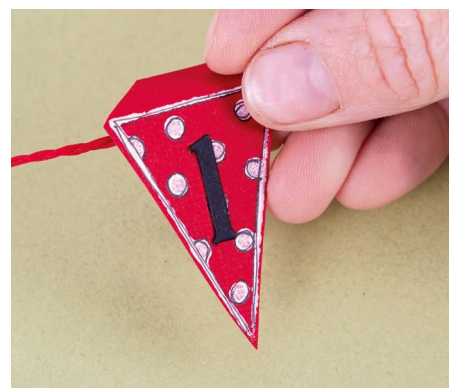
## How to... make the bunting



1 Stamp the bunting stamp from the Bellissima mini frames clear stamps set on red cardstock using white paint. Stamp the image as many times as you need for your bunting message. Leave to dry.



2 Cut out the bunting shapes, adding an extra tab at the top. Outline the dots and the triangle with a thin black pen. Add letters die cut from black cardstock using Xcut Centurion Alphabet Dies.



3 Fold the tab at the top of each flag over a length of red cord and adhere in place using tacky glue. Add more flags to create the length of bunting required and leave to dry before attaching to the card.

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# Primrose wreath

Celebrate the arrival of the early spring flowers with this unique, one of a kind primrose-themed decorative wreath





**Louise Crosbie**  
A day make



**Papermania Bare Basics**  
Jute Ribbon (PMA 17450)  
RRP £4.50

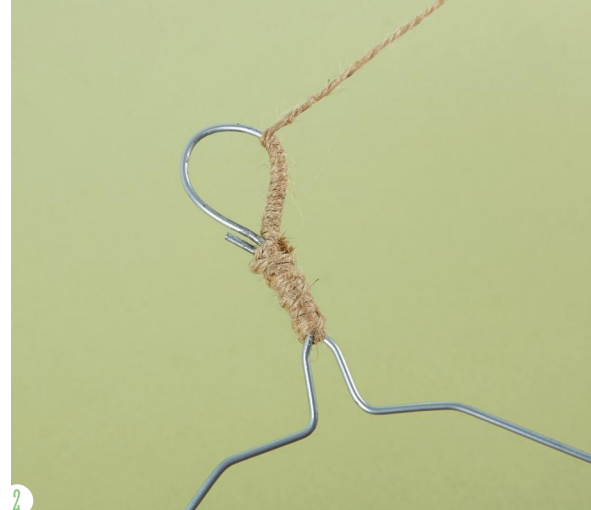


**Xcut** Medium Palm Punch  
Petal (XCU 261710) RRP £4

I am a huge fan of the countryside and go walking in the woods a lot with my husband. In spring we come across little bunches of primroses popping up through the earth surrounded by old leaves and bark. I decided to keep this wreath in nice neutral tones, much like the floor of the woodland, so the yellow flowers would be a nice bright focal point. The wreath is simply made with a wire coat-hanger as the base, with canvas and hessian giving a rustic, woodland theme, but you could use other fabric strips if you want a more contemporary, bright feel. Make as many floral balls as you feel is right for your design, and either spread them out evenly or cluster them in one area.

### Primrose wreath

- 1 Pull a wire coat hanger into a hoop and bend the hook over to make a loop at the top.
- 2 Tightly wind Bare Basics natural jute string around the top loop to cover the wire.
- 3 Cut or tear strips of Bare Basics canvas, jute ribbon and Madame Payraud lace trim, each about 15cm in length. Tearing the canvas leaves nice rough edges with little threads hanging, giving a lovely rustic feel.
- 4 Tie the fabric strips around the metal hoop using a basic knot. Add them in a random manner, changing between the jute ribbon, canvas and lace, until the whole wreath is completely covered. Keep pushing the strips tightly together, adding as many as you can to prevent the bare wire from showing through.



- 5 Using the steps below, make as many primrose flowers as you need to decorate the wreath. **TIP** Try embossing the cardstock before punching to give more texture to the petals.
- 6 Die cut a variety of leaf shapes from green patterned paper and glue a few leaves to the flat bottom of each of the polystyrene primrose flower clusters.
- 7 Attach the assembled primrose balls to the wreath with hot glue, spacing them out around the wreath and attaching some at angles.
- 8 Add a Bare Basics large burlap bow to the top of the wreath with a few more die-cut leaf shapes to finish.

### MUST ♥ HAVES

- ♥ **Craft Planet** 4.5cm Polystyrene Balls RRP £1.50
  - ♥ **Papermania Bare Basics** Canvas Squares RRP £4
  - ♥ **Natural Burlap Bows** RRP £3 ♥ **Natural Jute Set** RRP £3
- Turn to page 96 to find the full list of supplies

### How to... make the primroses



- 1 Cut a number of *Craft Planet* 4.5cm polystyrene balls in half with a sharp knife or scissors. These will form the bases of the primroses.



- 2 Punch out medium petals in yellow cardstock. Cover some of the flowers with a combination of mint and forest green spritzing ink or gold shimmer pigment ink.



- 3 Pin or glue the flowers on the half polystyrene balls using *Cousin Silver* Head Pins to create primrose flower clusters. Overlap the flowers to give a dense covering.

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Upcycle a tin to store all your *Artiste* dual tip pens

With so many tools of the trade, it would be criminal for a crafter not to have a stylish set of pots to store them in! This pot started life as a tin can and was given a good clean before covering with patterned craft tape. This pliable tape can be easily applied to almost any object, so pick your favourite colours and patterns and get sticking! Add some pleated trim to the top of your pot for a decorative edge and cover the join with some jute ribbon – the perfect trim for that rustic look! Finish with a cork tag decorated with a chalkboard arrow shape and cork alphabet stickers, and attach to the pot with a mini wooden peg.

## MUST♥HAVES

♥ **Papermania Bare Basics** Cork Stickers

Alphabet Circles RRP £3.50

♥ Cork Tags Gift Tags RRP £3

♥ **Capsule Parisienne Blue** Patterned

Craft Tape RRP £6.95

♥ Pleated Fabric Trim RRP £4.50

♥ **Chalk Craft** Wooden Chalkboard

Shapes Arrows RRP £3

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# IN THE STUDIO



## Katie Skilton



I am very lucky to be a freelance creative designer in the papercraft industry and over the past few years I have been busy

on the *docrafts* design team, demonstrating on Create & Craft, designing for *Creativity* and doing in-store demonstrations. Designing all these beautiful projects is a dream come true and I had such fun using the new *Xcut* Pinwheel Die to create this vibrant card.

- 1 Round the corners of a white A5 card blank with a corner punch. Trim a piece of pink cardstock slightly smaller than the card blank and again round the edges.
- 2 Cut a white cardstock panel, slightly smaller than the pink panel, rounding the corners. Spritz electric blue spritzing ink lightly over the whole surface of the white panel then concentrate ink in one area. Leave to dry,

- 3 Place the spritzed panel in a honeycomb embossing folder and run through an A4 Xpress machine. Layer the embossed panel on the pink panel then add to the card blank using 3D foam tape, leaving the edges free.

- 4 Die cut a honeycomb panel from yellow cardstock using an *Xcut* Bee Keeping Die Set. Adhere to the embossed panel. Die cut another panel, trim sections and add to the card.

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**5** Adhere co-ordinating patterned papers back to back. When dry, die cut two pinwheels using the new A5 mini pinwheel die. Assemble the pinwheels by folding the flat ends to the centre and securing in place with brads.

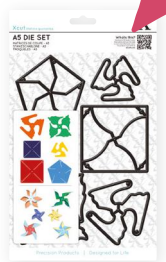
**6** Adhere the pinwheels to the card, as shown. Add red bakers twine under the centre of each pinwheel trailing down over the honeycomb panel towards the bottom of the card.

**7** Cut a strip of mustard floral patterned paper to fit across the white embossed panel, secure over the crossover point of the twine. Add a length of navy blue ribbon over the paper strip and tuck the ends behind the pink panel.

**8** Tuck a sentiment under a pinwheel and add another on the ribbon, topped with a round die-cut and a resin flower charm. Add a die-cut butterfly and embellish with gems.

Katie was in a creative spin using these whirligig new dies!

**Xcut A5 Die Mini Pinwheels**  
(XCU 503232)  
RRP £19.95



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# With love from Bellissima

With an understated elegance, these bright, vibrant cards are perfect for any occasion





Deborah Hughes  
Afternoon makes

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## Get the look



### Papermania Bellissima

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Adhesive Resin Frames  
(PMA 269102)  
RRP £4



3D Bows (PMA 367243)  
RRP £3.50



4 x 4" Clear Stamps  
Doily Frame (PMA 907213)  
RRP £4

This lovely new *Papermania Bellissima* collection in pretty pastels is a new instalment to the pretty Bellissima collection from last year. There are the usual crafty flowers, bows and butterflies, along with more unique elements including stylish frames, doilies and hot air balloons that make for a full and vibrant collection.

For the 'With Thanks' card I teamed the lovely mug with macaroon decoupage element with a doily motif that I cut from Bellissima patterned paper. The image spoke for itself so I just added a pretty bow and resin rose from the charm pack. For the 'With Love' card I used the lovely doily stamp and built up several layers using the resin frame and sentiment stamp.

### 'With Love' card

- 1 Create a tent fold card blank from co-ordinating *Core'dinations* Core Card. Shape the card blank using a large *Xcut* Square Parenthesis Die, positioning the die so it slightly overlaps the folded edge to maintain the card fold.
- 2 Die cut the same sized parenthesis from floral Bellissima papers, and the next smallest die from pink spotted paper.
- 3 Stamp the Bellissima doily frame design on pale blue paper using an acrylic block and a black dye ink pad and, once dry, carefully cut out the doily with scissors.
- 4 Punch a hole in either side of the doily and thread with pink ribbon.
- 5 Die cut a 6cm yellow paper circle, attach to the centre of the doily with 3D foam squares and attach a pink resin frame on top. Stamp the 'With Love' sentiment on green paper, die cut it into an oval and attach to the frame.
- 6 Attach the doily to the pink spotted parenthesis die-cut and secure the ends of the ribbon behind. Attach this to the larger, floral parenthesis then attach to the card blank.
- 7 Add a paper 3D bow, resin rose charm, a butterfly from the decoupage kit and three buttons to finish.

### 'With Thanks' card

- 1 Cut a piece of kraft cardstock to 20 x 17cm. Score and fold in half along the long side to create a 10 x 17cm card blank.



- 2 Mat a layer of pale blue spotted paper to the card front and then layer a panel of lilac striped paper over the top two thirds.
- 3 Adhere a length of Oyster Blush adhesive crochet border over the join.
- 4 Cut out a doily from a Bellissima paper and attach over the lilac paper with 3D foam squares. Assemble the mug with macaroon decoupage image, again using 3D foam squares and attach over the doily.
- 5 Adhere a blue floral ribbon bow and a lilac resin rose from the charm pack to the base of the decoupage. Add the love tag with 3D foam squares and embellish with a selection of pale blue adhesive stones to finish.

## Perfect for those quick makes...

The quick-to-make Bellissima foiled card kits include two sentiment choices, and look as if you have spent hours crafting!



Papermania Bellissima  
6 x 6" Decoupage  
Card Kit For You  
(PMA 169106)  
RRP £2



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(PMA 169107)  
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We love Diana's Brown Owl card! Are you a fan of our Xcut Owl Die Set?

**Christine Jackson:** My lovely daughter has just bought this for me as she knows how much I love owls. I made six yesterday and I'm going to make them into cards over the weekend. This die cuts beautiful and is very easy to make up, I love love love this die.

**Sarah Gillanders:** How nice is this die?

**Karen Burton:** Wow! Gorgeous Diana xx

**Vivienne Adams:** Gorgeous!!!!!! I will have to get this set!

**Katielouise Sweetlove:** Need these dies x

**Heather Porter:** Fantastic owl card. I just can't

stop looking at it or take my eyes off it.

**Diane Burton:** I think I know what my next crafty purchase will be.

**Emily Hankin:** I really must get this die-cut set!

**Carol Brown Classic:**

**Elizabeth Reid:** All of these owl cards are fabulous, this die will be my next purchase.

**Amy Butler:** Omg I love this!!!! X

**Jackie Dolby:** I'd like one of these.

**Suzan Ekemans:** Lovely!

**Pamela Stubbs:** Oooo, haven't got that one! It's really nice.

**Pat Butcher:** Love it xx

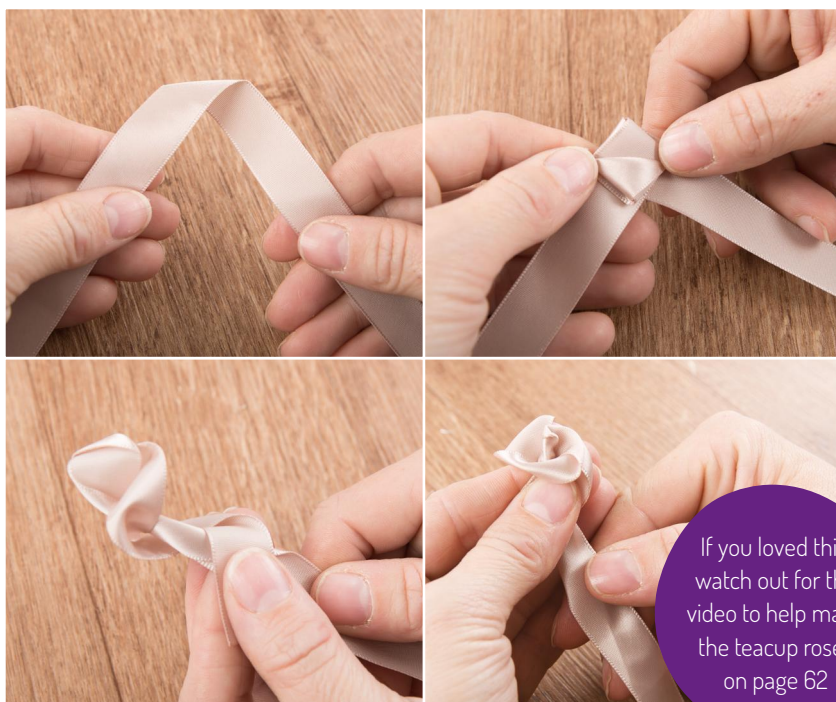
**Renee Makeid:** I want so much x

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Pamela Stubbs

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**Pauline Robinson:** I've been trying to make one of these for ages from drawn pictures. This was so much more informative. Brilliant.

**Cheryl Collins:** You are kidding me?! It's THAT simple??? I had no idea! \*scurries off to craft stash to find ribbon and have a go\*.

**Brenda Wright:** I bought ribbon just to try it yesterday and as backwards as I am I made a beautiful little red and white rosette.

**Maz Stickels:** That is amazing I just did one on a tiny ribbon! Such an easy way of doing it... now I can add them to my frames!

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**Laura Robey:** Happy & Relaxed  
**Liz Irvin:** Happy, relaxed, sane!  
**Clare Brumby:** Chilled  
**Wendy Eadie Barnwell:** Relaxed  
**Martha Martin:** Relaxed  
**Donna Cook:** Relaxed, creative and content  
**Debbie Moore:** Alive  
**Rosângela Rosa:** Happy  
**Tani Tania:** Calm  
**Annara Louie:** Smiling from ear to ear!!  
**Michele M Bond-Nugent:** Warm and fuzzy inside!!  
**Maezee Spriggs:** Like dancing!  
**Anne Corcoran:** So happy & relaxed x  
**Susanne Gurney:** Alive  
**Shona Alexander:** Skint!  
**Loretta Clem:** HAPPY  
**Martin Willis:** Creative  
**Glenda Powell:** Happy  
**Cheryl Workman:** Relaxed, calm  
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## Star letter



Dear Creativity team,

Love *docrafts* Goody Bag. I adore all the contents and have made a card using them to say 'Thank You'. I've devised a fold flat 'boxy' card using *Xcut* dies to give a see-through aspect. Houghton Hall Garden Centre's Craft Department in Carlisle hold regular *docrafts* Demonstrations with really lovely demonstrators. It is like a party atmosphere. We all know each other now and really enjoy the day and go home full of ideas and enthusiasm to try our new purchases and ideas and craft, craft, craft! **Diana Craddock**

**Creativity team say:** Thank you so much for sending us your wonderful card. It's lovely to hear how *docrafts* has inspired you, not only through the contents of our jam-packed goody bags but also through our talented *docrafts* demonstrators.

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Use Capsule Brights felt  
and fabric for a more  
vibrant effect

Add a little sparkle with  
silver-lined seed beads

Paisley nesting dies are  
perfect for bird shapes



Laura Howard  
A day make

# Birds of a feather

Brighten up any room and bring a taste of the outside in with this gorgeous bird mobile made from pastel felt and fabric. Perfect for a child's room or conservatory



Use a fallen branch or twig from your garden or local park to make this pretty bird mobile. Each bird is made from felt and fabric then decorated with beads and embroidery. With paisley Xcut nesting dies you'll have all the pieces cut out in no time! Why not try die-cutting a few owls or butterflies for an alternative look!

## To make each bird

**1** Cut a piece of pastel fabric big enough to cut out two wing shapes. Iron the fabric to remove any creases then iron a piece of interfacing to the back.

**TIP** Iron any creases from your chosen felt on a low heat between two tea towels.

**2** Use an Xcut A4 Xpress machine and paisley leaves nesting dies to cut two wings from the fabric and two birds from co-ordinating pastel felt. To make a large bird, use the second largest paisley die for the bird shapes and the second smallest paisley die for the wings. To make a small bird, use the third largest paisley die for the bird shapes and the smallest paisley die for the wings.

**3** Sew a wing to each of the birds using whip stitch and matching sewing thread as shown in image 3.

**4** Cut out three elongated ovals for the tail feathers from pastel felt, and one triangular beak from yellow felt. Sew the tail feathers in place, slightly overlapping each other, on one of the bird pieces. Sew the beak on the back of the bird, catching the felt without sewing through it, as shown in image 4.

**5** Use black sewing thread to sew a round black sequin for the eye. Use matching thread to add a row of small crystal seed beads to the bottom of the wings, sewing each bead flat with two or three stitches.

**6** Using three strands of embroidery thread, sew single lazy daisy stitches along the bird's tummy, creating a feather effect. To do this, bring the thread up through the felt, then back down through the same hole, leaving a loop, then secure the loop with a tiny stitch, as shown in image 6. Using three strands of a second colour thread, sew a single stitch inside each loop making the 'feather'.



**7** Place the two sides of the bird together and join the edges with whip stitch in matching thread.

**8** Cut a long piece of white nylon bead thread, sew it through the top of the bird, then knot it securely so that the bird is hanging from a double thickness of thread. String 20-40cm of Cousin silver-lined crystal seed beads on the thread.

**9** Make several birds, mixing and matching your chosen felt, fabric and embroidery threads so each bird is slightly different, and vary the length of the beaded strings so the birds will hang at different heights from the branch.

## To make the mobile

**1** Paint your branch with white acrylic paint, ensuring the wood has dried out before painting. After the first coat, leave the

branch to dry for at least an hour then apply a second coat of paint and leave to dry overnight.

**2** Use the Xcut A4 Xpress machine and leaves nesting dies to cut leaves from light green felt. Use the two smallest leaf dies, cutting several of each shape. Glue the leaves to the branch using a glue gun.

**3** Attach the birds to the branch, knotting the thread securely then trimming the ends. Hang the mobile with nylon thread.

## MUST ♥ HAVES

♥ **Craft Planet** Acrylic Felt Various RRP 50p

♥ **Papermania Capsule Pastels**

Fat Quarters RRP £9.95 ♥ **Felt Bundle** RRP £5.95

♥ **Xcut** Nesting Dies

Leaves 1 ♥ **Paisley Leaves** RRP £9.95

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# Take a template

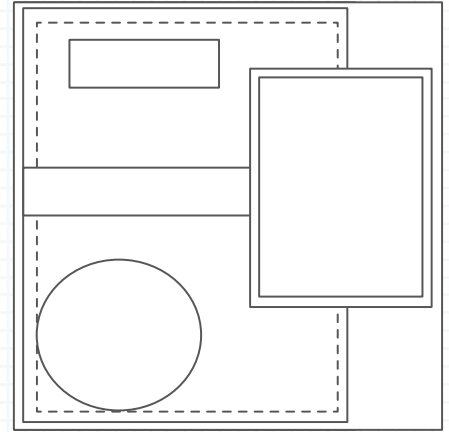
If you're looking for inspiration, or just want to rise to the challenge, then a template is a great starting point



Carol Fox

An afternoon make

I decided to use my template to make a dimensional card, so I started by cutting a section off the front and then layered my pieces on the remaining section. I added even more dimension with a paper rosette and a raised sentiment. I love to incorporate stitching to add texture and the black thread I used around the edge of the bright *Roald Dahl* circles paper on my background brings it alive and gives definition to the panel. I carried the paper theme on to the back panel and added a stamped "Whoopie!" sentiment to make it personal. This template could also work for a scrapbook layout by adding a photo within the rectangle and journaling across the border strip.



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**Kim Dellow**  
A morning make

You can't go wrong with a nice template like this one. It leaves plenty of scope for interpretation and I added a twist by turning the top left element into a banner instead, using the Chalk Craft mini bunting. I love the way the colourful products from the Capsule Brights collection look against neutral kraft cardstock; it is one of my favourite colour combinations so I just had to use it! The Chalkboard pieces add more contrast and I cut the little heart from one of the stickers and edged it with white *Artiste Blanc* Acrylic Paint.



**Jo Boland**  
An afternoon make

Looking at the original template, I decided to put a photo in the large rectangle and a title in the small rectangle. With this in mind I rotated the template 180 degrees so that the title would be at the bottom. I also moved the circle element over and positioned it on top of the large rectangle to connect the elements together. I used the *Santoro's Gorjuss* collection and chose a photo of a young me with long unruly hair, which reminded me of one of the 'gorjuss' characters!

## What did you make?

### Three readers show us their makes using past templates

Make a project using this issue's template and send us a picture to [Creativity@docrafts.com](mailto:Creativity@docrafts.com). You could be featured in February's issue!



**Sue Smith**

Sue entered Jill's November sketch challenge on *docrafts.com* and made this layout about her husband's allotment!



**Louise Sutherland**

Inspired by Jill's sketch, Louise's birthday card features a watercolour background, glitter, funky patterned paper and a cake stamp.

**Susan**

**Reynolds**

Susan used *docrafts* download papers and Jill's sketch to make a layout of her sailing holiday in Greece. Here she is making her way through some ruins.





# A cup of roses

Give a lovely vintage feel to any table with this Victorian Valentine rolled paper rose centrepiece – perfect for a tea party!



## Top tip

Use your leftover Christmas stash, such as these beads, to make embellishments for your projects





**Sharon Dobson**  
A weekend make

**35**  
**TO GIVE AWAY!**



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With the trend for vintage homeware showing no sign of slowing down, pretty china pieces remain much in demand and are a firm favourite with many crafters. Beautiful old teapots, sugar bowls, jugs and teacups are perfect for holding small floral arrangements and displays, and are making an appearance at many events and weddings as adorable table decorations or party favours. Fill a pretty teacup with a posy of handmade paper roses and you will have a decoration whose bloom won't fade and will be a beautiful ornament that looks great in an old china cabinet or kitchen dresser. Keep your eyes peeled for vintage china in charity shops; if you can't find matching sets, mix and match for an eclectic look, or add in newer pieces for a cool, quirky feel.

For this arrangement, I used three gold and four green large roses, and two of each of navy and green in both medium and small, but of course you can adapt the number and sizes to fit your teacup.

**1** To make the largest roses, cut an A4 sheet of Victorian Valentine paper into three 7 x 30cm strips. Fold along the length, gluing the white sides together, to create a double-sided paper strip. Trim the raw edges and join the three strips together at the ends to form a 90cm strip.

**2** Follow the instructions below for folding a rose, until you have reached the end of the paper strip. When the glue has set, cut away the excess paper handle and use a glue gun to attach half a cocktail stick to the back of the rose.

**3** The medium sized roses are made from three 5 x 30cm paper strips, and the small roses from two 5 x 30cm pieces, using the same

methods as before to assemble the strips and fold the rose. Ink the tips of the folded navy roses and heat emboss with gold.

**4** Fit a piece of oasis into your teacup and arrange the roses. Start with the largest ones and fill in the spaces with the smaller ones, pushing the cocktail sticks into the oasis.

**5** Thread gold beads on beading wire in groups of three, twisting the wire to create little stamens. Add a pearl bead in the centre, twist the ends of the wire together and arrange between the roses, sticking the ends of the wire into the oasis.



**6** Fasten wire to buttons and looped lengths of ribbon and add to the arrangement. Wrap lace trim around the teacup and finish with pearls.

## MUST ♥ HAVES

♥ **Create Christmas** Christmas Ribbon Gold Polka Dots RRP £1 ♥ **Embellishments Pack Gold** RRP £2.50

♥ **Papermania Victorian Valentine** A4 Paper Pack RRP £5.95 ♥ **A4 Ultimate** Die-cut & Paper Pack RRP £11.95

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## How to... fold a paper rose



**1** Fold the end of the paper strip to form a triangle. Fold again, to form a 'handle' to wrap the petals around.



**2** Fold the paper strip back on itself. Wrap the strip around the handle, with the folded edge at the top.



**3** Fold the strip again. Continue wrapping, using glue to hold in place, and folding the strip when you reach the end of a fold.

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**Becky James**  
A morning make

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# Hidden delights

Make that gift of chocolate appear in an instant with Becky's devilishly easy pulley effect wrapper

**T**he ultimate comfort gift for most crafters I come across – and in fact most of my friends – is a yummy bar of chocolate. So

why not gift wrap it in pretty papers to hint at the scrumptiousness contained within? This project may look complicated, but don't be fooled – it is

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## Your cover gifts



amazingly simple. The sizes used here are perfect for medium sized chocolate bars, yet can easily be adapted for larger or smaller treats. For an extra special touch wrap the bar inside with co-ordinating papers. Next time you want to spoil someone special make sure it looks as beautiful outside as it is delicious on the inside! After the chocolate has long disappeared the recipient can use it to stash away other special little treasures inside.

### How to make the outer box

**1** Cut two 18 x 11cm pieces of kraft cardstock. Blend chocolate ink around both panels and all the paper elements used in this project.

**2** On both kraft pieces, score 1.3cm in along the two long sides and one short side. Cut away the two small squares created in the corners where the score lines intersect then glue the tabs on one piece to the tabs on the other, making a narrow box, open along one short side.

**3** Place a 15 x 7cm panel of blue rose patterned Simply Floral cover gift paper in the middle of the front of the box. Layer a 14 x 5.5cm piece of yellow floral paper over this, finishing with an 11.5 x 5cm piece of green doily patterned paper on the left side of the yellow panel.

**4** Attach a die-cut striped scallop border on the yellow patterned paper, overlapping the ends, and add a pink spotted paper strip on top.

**5** Attach a 'Thank You' topper to the middle of a pink doily die-cut using 3D foam tape. Attach to the box using 3D foam tape. Tuck a 'Treat yourself' sentiment under the edge of the doily.

**6** Complete the decoration with a Simply Floral organza ribbon bow, a multi-coloured co-ordinating trio of mini flower buttons and pale pink adhesive stones.

### How to make the pulling mechanism

**1** Punch a hole in the middle of the open end of the top and bottom of the box and feed a length of co-ordinating cover gift Simply Floral ribbon through both holes.

**2** Wrap a chocolate bar in patterned paper and push the bar into the box so that the ribbon feeds down inside at the same time. When the chocolate bar is fully inserted in the box, tie the ribbon securely in a bow at the open end. Cut a 'V' in the bow tails for a professional-looking finish. As the ribbon bow is pulled the gift will emerge from the box to the lucky recipient!



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# Quick make!

Grab a crafting break with our super speedy makes

Use *Stick it!* 3D Foam Dots to give extra dimension



This great little card is perfect for a last minute make or to build up your card stash for giving throughout the year.

Suitable for so many different occasions, put this rosette mini card at number 1 on your 'to do' list and craft a selection in different colours.

Make an 8 x 12cm tent fold card then cut an inverted V in the base to form the pennant

shape. Create a nesting pennant by matting yellow spotted paper on cerise cardstock and then the card blank. Die cut and construct the rosette, adding a lime green pin wheel topped with a punched contrasting circle and a button. Tuck die-cut striped tails under the rosette and add a sideways pennant with a die-cut or alphabet sticker greeting.

## MUST ♥ HAVES

♥ **Papermania Capsule Brights**  
8 x 8" Paper Pack £5.95

♥ **Sew Lovely** Pin Wheels RRP £3.50

♥ **Xcut** Large Dies Mixed Rosettes RRP £12.95

♥ Medium Palm Punch Circle RRP £4





Top it all off with vintage, eclectic embellishments

Turn an old light bulb into a spectacular altered art hot air balloon!

## Top tip

PVA is the adhesive of choice for decoupage papers as they can be moved around for perfect placement

Add weight and stability to the basket by gluing a 2p piece to the base



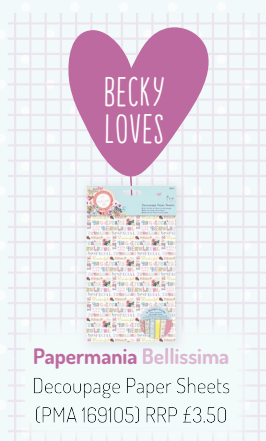


# Up, up and away...

Ever wondered what to do with old light bulbs and bottle tops?  
Becky has the answer with this dreamy hot air balloon!



**Becky James**  
A weekend make



**I**f I am really honest I'm a little bit of a hoarder with a tendency to squirrel away anything I think I can make a craft project from. Boxes, tins, jam jars... I have a little stash of all of these tucked away in the cupboards of my studio awaiting a new life and purpose. At some point I also decided to add a few old style light bulbs when they burnt out, never really certain if they would ever see light of day again. However, when I was perusing the gorgeous Bellissima ultimate decoupage pack I spotted some delightful hot air balloon images and the spark of an idea was born! I hope that you enjoy my fun altered art project and have a go at creating your own. It's simple, just follow my steps...

## How to decoupage the balloon

**1** Cut 4cm strips of pink floral Bellissima decoupage paper, apply *Craft Planet* PVA School Glue relatively thinly to the reverse of the patterned side using a paint brush, and adhere the paper strips to the bulb, placing from the top of the bulb down to the base. Smooth out any little bubbles and creases with a piece of kitchen towel but do not make it too perfect as little

imperfections add to the interest and character of the piece. Allow to dry thoroughly.

**2** Cut three elongated oval panels, the same length as the bulb, from Bellissima word paper. Apply PVA glue to the reverse and attach over the floral paper, allowing the glue to dry thoroughly. To add a little extra detail, randomly place a few square patches cut from the balloon patterned paper over the covered bulb.

**3** Once the balloon is completely dry, use a gold gel pen to draw faux stitch marks along the seams where the paper pieces meet.

**4** Wrap a 5cm wide strip of yellow patterned paper around the base of the bulb and top of the bulb stem. Cover the remainder of the stem with Madame Payraud damask patterned craft tape, making sure the stem is completely covered.

**5** Complete this stage by wrapping Capsule Pastels bakers twine around the join between the yellow paper and the craft tape.

## How to... make the mesh net



**1** To create the wire mesh to cover the decoupage balloon, cut three lengths of silver wire, each long enough to go over the bulb with a little extra added. Group the three lengths together and twist them together midway along their length to join them.



**2** Place the twisted section on the centre of the top of the bulb and secure with hot glue. When dry, pull the wires over and down the bulb. Secure in place by wrapping another length of wire around the stem of the bulb, above the bakers twine.



**3** Working row by row, create the horizontal strands of the mesh by twisting a new length of wire around one of the vertical wires, then twist it around the next vertical wire and so on around the bulb. At the end, twist the two wire ends together and trim.

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## How to make the basket

**1** The basket is made from old bottle tops. Take two same-sized screw-top bottle tops, place one flat bottle cap in-between them and glue all three together. The bottle cap stops the two screw-tops from sitting inside each other and so gives the basket some height.

**TIP** You can use larger bottle tops if working with a larger light bulb. Detergent and cleaning fluid bottles often have deeper lids, perfect for this type of project.

**2** Place a piece of sand coloured cardstock in an Xcut Wicker Embossing Folder and run the folder through an Xcut A4 Xpress Machine.

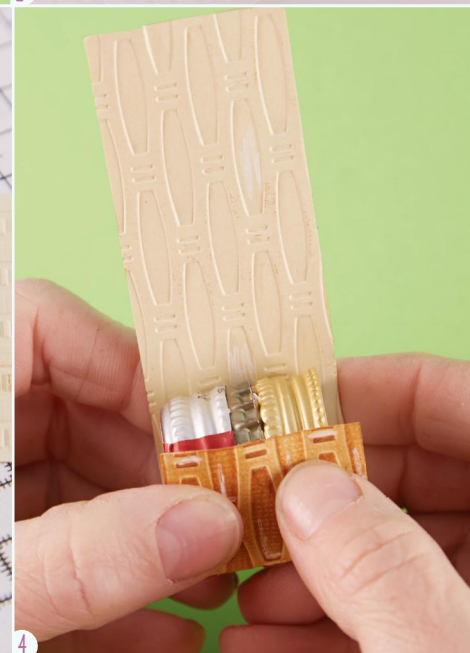
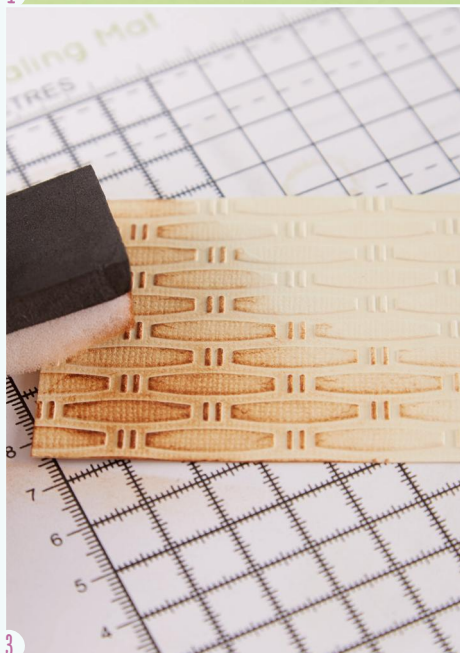
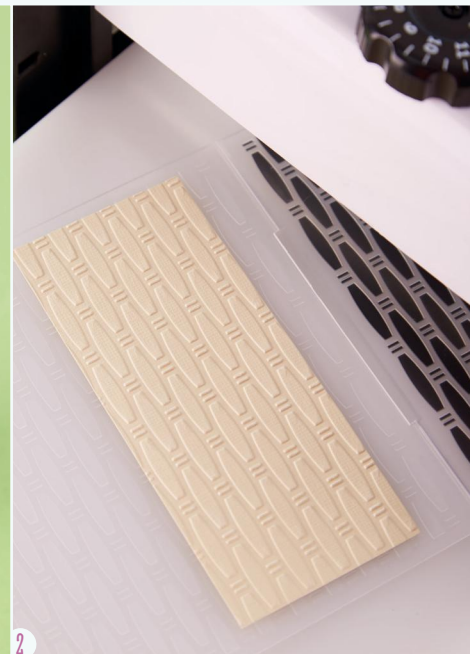
**3** Define the embossed pattern on the cardstock by gently blending *Artiste Chocolate Dye Ink* across the embossed areas using a piece of stamp pad foam, blending more ink around the edges of the raised areas to give a shaded effect. Highlight the raised areas by lightly adding lines with a white gel pen.

**4** Measure the circumference and height of the glued bottle tops and cut the embossed cardstock to size so that it will cover them. Allow a little extra for making a join and for the cardstock to be folded over the top rim of the basket, making a neat finish. Glue the cardstock to the bottle tops using a hot glue gun.

**5** Cut a long length of *Cousin Beading Wire* and wrap around the basket two or three times. Twist the ends of the wire together then add a metal charm, twisting the wires to secure the charm in place. This charm will be at the front when attaching the basket to the balloon.

**6** Cut several co-ordinating narrow strips of *Bellissima* patterned paper from the ultimate die-cut and paper pack. Cut each strip to a different length, up to approximately 4cm long, and different widths, up to 0.8cm, and ink the edges. Fold each strip in half, cut a V in the ends and unfold. Wrap the wire around the basket once more, and fold the paper strips over the wire, gluing in place, to create mini bunting.

**7** Distress and curl the edges of the bunting to create the illusion of movement of the balloon. Wrap the wire around the basket a couple more times and then twist around a previous loop to secure at the back of the basket.



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## How to make the vintage flower

**1** Brush the tips of the petals of a Bellissima resin flower from the charm pack with *Artiste Lush* Pink Acrylic Paint. Once dry, mist the flower with gold spritzing ink and again leave to dry.

**2** Add a hint of vintage sparkle by adding a touch of *Glitz it* Iridescent Glitter Glue across the flower. Adhere the finished vintage rose charm on top of a Chronology metal gear and a Madame Payraud metal button with hot glue, then glue to the top of the balloon.



## How to assemble the balloon

**1** To create the 'ropes' that connect the balloon to the basket, cut three equal lengths of bamboo skewer and tightly coil silver beading wire along each length. Making sure the three 'ropes' are spaced evenly, glue one end of each 'rope' to the stem of the balloon and the other end inside the basket, using hot glue. This may require a substantial amount of glue, but the glue will not be visible once the project is complete.

**2** Wrap raffia around the balloon stem, covering the tops of the ropes but leaving the pastel bakers twine and some of the damask patterned craft tape visible. Add a few rounds of bright pink bakers twine over the top of the raffia.

**3** Shape a long label plate to match the curve of the balloon and attach a die-cut 'dreams' word behind the plate. Glue to

the front of the balloon at a jaunty angle, using hot glue.

**4** Sand a sheet of *Papermania* Shrink Plastic. Ink a 'Bright' and 'ideas' Bellissima alpha stamp and stamp on strips of the sanded shrink plastic. Heat with a heat tool to reduce the size and then glue the shapes in place, arranging on and below the label plate, as shown.

**5** Embellish around the name plate on the front of the balloon with a selection of die-cut birds, butterflies and flowers.

**6** Stuff the inside of the basket with raffia and place a die-cut bird inside, attaching with hot glue to the back of one of the 'ropes'. Cover a cocktail stick with gold spotted Capsule Jewels patterned craft tape, add a large pink heart charm to the top and attach inside the basket using more hot glue.

**7** To finish, coil the loose wires from the mesh surrounding the balloon around a skewer to shape into coils, trim the excess, then arrange to look like the balloon is flying.  
**TIP** Add string to hang the balloon from the ceiling if desired.



## MUST ♥ HAVES

♥ **Cousin** Beading Wire Silver RRP £2.50

♥ **Papermania Bellissima** A4 Ultimate Die-cut & Paper Pack Foiled RRP £11.95

♥ Decoupage Paper Sheets RRP £3.50

♥ **Xcut** 6 x 6" Embossing Folder Wicker RRP £5

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# SCRAPBOOK KNOW-HOW

Three designers showed us their layouts inspired by circles

## HAVE A GO AT... JO'S 'FLOWERS FROM MUM' LAYOUT



- 1 Cut one large circle and three small circles into the background cardstock using an Xcut Circle Shape Cutter System, keeping the three small cut-out circles for later.



- 2 Cut three medium circles from patterned paper. Add these behind the three small circle apertures in the background. Adhere a photo behind the largest aperture.



- 3 Cut circles around the base layers of three decoupage blousey flowers and assemble the layers of corresponding die-cut parts with 3D foam dots. Attach to the layout.



- 4 Cut spirals into the three set-aside small cardstock circles, roll them up loosely and secure the end with a small glue dot. Attach to the layout with glue dots.



- 5 Add tiny circular die-cut flowers and butterflies from the decoupage pack with 3D foam dots to the layout, write your journaling on a tag and finally add your title.

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## RECREATE... KIM'S 'FROSTY DAY' LAYOUT

- 1 Use an Xcut circle cutter to cut five circles of different sizes from different Capsule collection papers; make the largest circle 26cm diameter and the smallest around 18cm diameter.
- 2 Nest the circles then mark a position just off-centre as the central point. Cut the papers into 'pie' slices from the central point. Mix and match the slices in an uneven circle shape, offsetting the segments and distressing the outer edge of each slice.
- 3 Add a border from lengths of pleated trim and brown string, fixing in place with glue and staples. Add the photograph to the circle with 3D foam squares.
- 4 Cut circles from co-ordinating Capsule papers with assorted circle dies, distress the edges and ink some of them. Layer different sizes together to build into flowers and add a button centre.
- 5 Cover a piece of cardstock with different fabric tapes. Cut into a heart shape, ink the edges and stick to a cork tag. Glue the tag and the flowers to the page. Use a centurion alphabet die to die cut the title, inking the bottom edges before sticking to the page.

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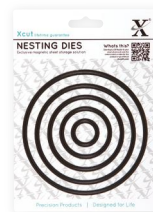
## THE STORY... BEHIND KERRY'S 'SWEATER WEATHER' LAYOUT

Don't you just love all those chunky patterned sweaters that appear in the shops when the chillier temperatures arrive? Colourful Fair Isle is my favourite but my girls are partial to a cute animal design! *Papermania* Craft Christmas papers are perfect for scrapping photos of warm and cosy winter woollies and I found a photo of my youngest wearing an adorable teddy jumper that co-ordinated so well with the patterns and colours in this line. Layering the papers creates a great effect as the patterns in the different sized

paper packs are the same but on a different scale. I layered two different sized circles in the same pattern for my page design.

Gold is very on-trend at the moment and combined with glitter you have one of my 'go-to' products! I had great fun with the sparkly *Papermania* Fine Glitter on my page – after all glitter is not just for Christmas! Just as well, as when I play with glitter it ends up all over the house for days after, no matter how careful I am to confine it to my craft area!

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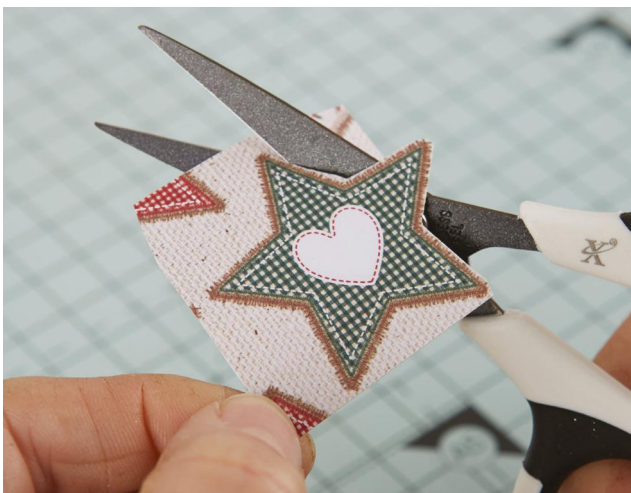
## LEARN... HOW TO RECREATE KERRY'S PAGE



**1** Die cut eight circles from both the 6 x 6" and 12 x 12" Create Christmas paper packs then doodle around their edges. Use *Stick it!* 3D Foam Squares to layer the smaller circles on top of the larger ones of the same pattern.



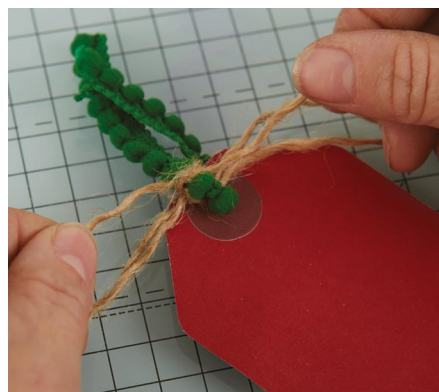
**2** Tags are great for adding interest to your layout and as a base for both journaling and titles. The red tag stands out across the page for the title, and the kraft tag adds interest in the top corner of the layout, as well as being a base for the journaling.



**3** Sometimes the shapes on patterned papers just cry out to be fussy cut and are a wonderful, original way of creating embellishments that will match the page perfectly. Here, the hearts and stars have been hand-cut from both sizes of paper, a doodled line drawn around the edges and then added to the tags, circles and photo.



**4** Journaling and titles can determine the character of a page so here, the title was hand-cut with doodles drawn around the edges, and the journaling was printed, cut into different lengths and added to the kraft tag.



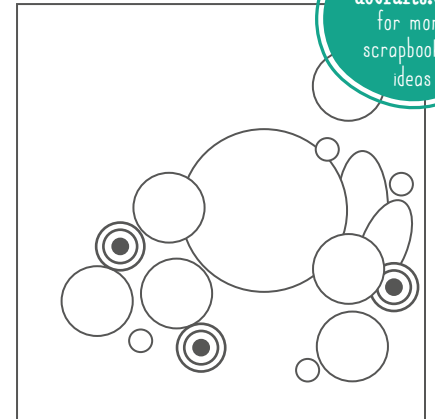
**5** Add embellishments to the tags, such as green pom-pom trim, tied on with the twine on the title tag, and knotted gingham ribbons on the kraft tag, adding a touch of fun, texture and colour.

## HANDY TEMPLATES

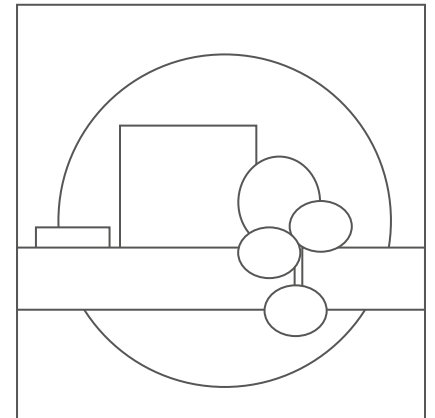
Get going with these circle templates

Jo's 'Flowers from Mum' layout

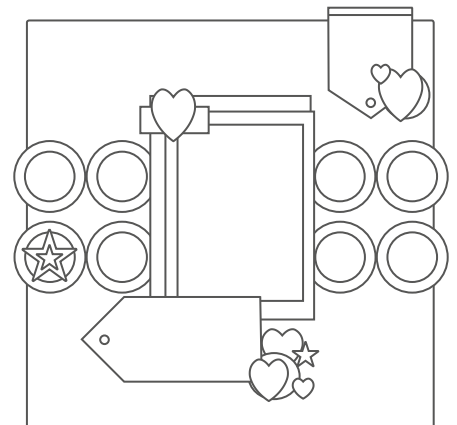
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Kim's 'Frosty Day' layout



Kerry's 'Sweater Weather' layout



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# A necklace for all seasons

Mix and match the centre pieces on this versatile necklace



**Shayna Bowles**  
A day make

**K**ee the same chain base, but interchange the central pieces via toggle bars and loops to create an amazingly versatile necklace. Each central piece is also long enough to be worn as a bracelet on its own.

To make the chain base, connect two 32cm lengths of small silver flat chain to a toggle loop at one end and a toggle bar at the other. Follow the instructions to make the interchangeable pieces.

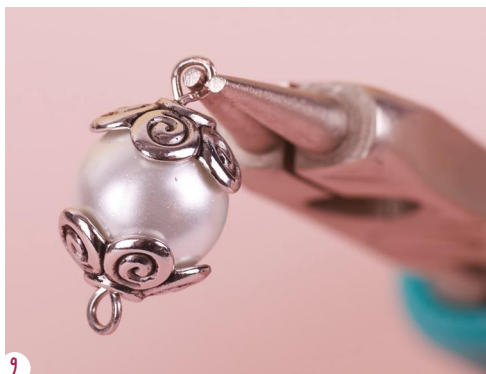
## Pearl cluster accent

**1** Make nine 8mm pearl drops, 18 6mm pearl drops, and 18 4mm pearl drops by threading each pearl on a head pin and turning a loop.

**2** Connect two 6mm pearl drops and a 4mm jump ring to the loop on one 8mm pearl drop. Connect a 4mm pearl drop to each of the 6mm pearl drops. Make nine mini clusters this way.

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**3** Join three of these mini clusters together with a 6mm jump ring. Repeat to make a total of three large clusters.

**4** Join the three large clusters together with a 6mm jump ring then attach with a 6mm jump ring to a toggle bar. This will form the large interchangeable cluster accent.

### Pearl and chain central piece

**5** Make 16 6mm pearl links by threading each pearl on an eye pin and turning a loop. Link the loops to make a strand. Create another strand in the same way, alternating nine 6mm pearl links and nine 4mm pearl links. Create one more strand with ten 6mm pearl links and ten 4mm pearl links.

**6** Join two 17cm lengths of small curb chain with a 4mm jump ring at each end. Make a second chain in the same way. Make a third chain, using three lengths of chain.

**7** Connect all the chain and pearl strands with a 6mm jump ring at each end, adding two 17cm lengths of gunmetal twist and two 17cm lengths of small flat chain.

**8** Attach a toggle bar to one end and a toggle loop to the other.

### Single pearl and rhinestone strand

**9** Make eight bead links by threading one 10mm pearl between two metal bead caps on an eye pin and turning a loop.

**10** Join the bead links and rhinestone connectors as follows: three bead links, one rhinestone, one bead link, one rhinestone, one bead link, one rhinestone, three bead links.

**11** Attach a toggle bar to one end and a toggle loop to the other. Connect the various chains and cluster as desired.

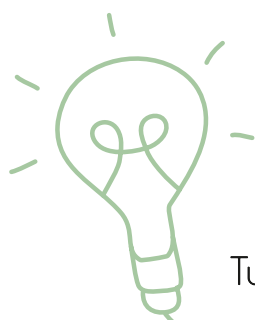
### MUST ♥ HAVES

- ♥ Cousin Glass Pearls White 4mm, 6mm, 8mm, 10mm
- ♥ Small Toggles Silver ♥ Flat Chain Silver
- ♥ Flower Caps Metal Silver ♥ Rhinestone Connectors
- Metal Neutrals All RRP £4

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# Fancy that

Turn tat to treasure with a bit of thrifty upcycling



**Keren Baker**  
Afternoon makes

## Hubble, bubble

Apart from its fabulous stress relieving properties, bubble wrap has tons of mileage as a crafty product. Even if you don't like getting painty or inky, bubble wrap is a great craft staple. First off, why not try using it as a stamp? It comes in all sorts of sizes of bubble, and by adding ink or paint, you have an easy way to add texture and dimension. Apply paint with a sponge, or simply paint over each bubble with a paint brush. To get the bubble wrap into tight corners, attach little pieces to the lid of an embossing powder jar which then acts as a little dauber. Slit open and add sequins, or melt in layers to create a new fun medium to die cut. Share your bubble wrap projects with us!



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Upcycle, upcycle, upcycle...



bubbling bubbles

### 'Love' card

**1** This lovely, natural looking background was created using bubble wrap as a stamp. To achieve this effect, wrap bubble wrap around a small acrylic block. Pour different colours of acrylic paint into a palette, dip the block in the paint and randomly stamp the bubbles on cardstock. Allow each paint layer to dry slightly before overstepping with new colours. To finish the card, add strips of coloured cardstock across the front, add a stamped butterfly and mount a black chalkboard sticker with a sentiment.



**Star Buy: Artiste**  
Acrylic Paint Spring Green RRP £1.25

### Family frame

**2** This picture is embellished with die-cut bubble wrap stars. Cut four equal sized pieces of bubble wrap and pop every bubble with a pin. Place a layer of greaseproof paper under and over two layers of the popped bubble wrap, and iron, using a smooth motion, for about 15 seconds until the layers are fused together. Add two more layers to the top and iron again, with greaseproof paper on top and underneath. Die cut star shapes from the fused bubble wrap and decorate the frame. Please do this in a well-ventilated room.



**Star Buy: Xcut**  
Nesting Dies Star RRP £9.95

### 'Many thanks' card

**3** Sequins inserted into the bubbles give this card a definite wow factor. Using a piece with larger bubbles, make a slit into the bubble side of the wrap and carefully push sequins inside, making sure they are flat and arranged in a pattern. Die cut three balloons on a card blank and position the sequin bubble wrap behind the largest balloon, securing with tacky glue. Add white cardstock behind. Add smaller bubble wrap behind the other balloons, with coloured paper behind. Die cut sentiments and secure to the card.



**Star Buy: Craft Planet**  
Sequin Mix Assorted Colours RRP £2

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**Becky James**  
An afternoon make

# Love bookprint

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**O**wning your own piece of unique art is so exciting so try making your own masterpiece with simple paint and ink techniques. *Papermania* A5 Bookprint Papers provide the perfect vintage backdrop for your artwork.

top left corner. Stamp the smaller corner from 'The Collector' stamp in the bottom right corner of the panel. Randomly add further brown, red and green stamped leaves around these, extending them further into the image.

**1** Attach lengths of masking tape around the edges of an A5 bookprint paper sheet. This will give a clean inner frame to the finished picture.

**6** Using a dry stippling brush and a very small amount of *Artiste Blanc* Acrylic Paint, roughly apply the paint in random patches across the panel and across the heart.

**2** Create a stencil for the focal point of the design. I used the largest but one *Xcut* Heart Nesting Die, die cutting from kraft cardstock. Attach the stencil in place using masking tape.

**7** Spray a little gold and cardinal red spritzing ink into a palette. Mix together, pick up with a dry brush and roughly apply around the stamped corners. Once dried, gently remove the masking tape and attach the panel to an A5 piece of kraft cardstock for added sturdiness. Mount on coloured cardstock and place in your chosen frame.

**3** Follow the steps below to create the heart focal point on the artwork. Once done, very softly blend red, chocolate and black inks around the heart shape to create a halo effect.

**4** Gradually build up depth of colour by blending blue, green and black inks around the inside of the masking tape frame.

**5** Using black ink, stamp the large corner from *Santoro's Gorjuss* 'The Fox' stamp across the

## MUST HAVE'S

- ♥ *Papermania* A5 Paper Pack Bookprint RRP £4
  - ♥ *Urban Stamps* Bird Print ♥ Botanical Print RRP £7.95
  - ♥ *Xcut* Nesting Dies Heart RRP £9.95
- Turn to page 96 to find the full list of supplies

## How to... create the heart focal point



**1** Stamp the bird and botanical print urban stamps in the die-cut stencil using clear pigment ink and emboss with clear powder. Blend red ink across the stencil.



**2** Add shading and depth by blending chocolate ink across the shape. Add black ink around the perimeter, blending more softly this time. Buff with a paper towel.



**3** Mist *Artiste Gold* Spritzing Ink over the stencil area. Allow to dry thoroughly before removing the stencil by gently lifting the masking tape.

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# TECHNIQUE WORKSHOP

Sarah Jackman-Read gets creative with embossing folders



## MAKE A LASTING IMPRESSION

There are loads of wonderful embossing folders available that are just perfect for adding extra texture and interest to your makes. They can be used in many different ways and with a little know-how you can use them to add colour, depth and shape to projects. Are you a little stuck for ideas? Here are three simple but very different techniques to help you get the most out of your embossing folders. Learn how to make your own decoupage, freehand emboss and add colour to embossed panels.

## MAKE... YOUR OWN DECOUPAGE

- 1 Cut a piece of white textured cardstock to 14 x 14cm. Place face down on the black side of an Xcut Rose Frame Embossing Folder and run through an Xcut A4 Xpress Machine. Lightly ink the embossed area with brown ink, highlighting the edges of the panel and picking out some of the detail.
- 2 Emboss three pieces of beige Capsule French Lavender paper as before with the rose frame embossing folder. Cut out two

whole flowers, carefully cutting around the outside edge of the embossed area. Then cut out two flowers, with several petals missing, from the second embossed paper, and two centre pieces from the third embossed paper.

- 3 Ink the edges of the flowers and layer on the white embossed cardstock panel using 3D foam squares. Repeat the process to make a decoupage frame and finish with a 'gorjuss girl', punched flowers and sentiment.

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## FREEHAND... EMBOSSING



- 1 With a pencil, lightly draw around the largest star from an Xcut Star Nesting Dies set on to Anita's Plain White Parchment Vellum.



- 2 Using an Xcut 4 in 1 embossing pen and a stars embossing folder, lightly emboss the vellum following the outline of the star shape.



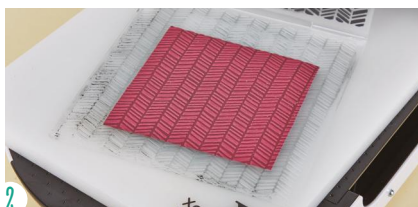
- 3 Once you're happy with your design, cut out the star shape around the outside of the row of stars and rub out the pencil line. Mat on dark coloured cardstock to enhance the white stars on the vellum, trimming the star tips to fit within a square card.

## UNIQUE... COLOURING TECHNIQUES

- 1 Cut white textured cardstock to 10 x 14cm, place face down on the clear side of a swirls embossing folder and emboss. Lightly build up colour on the negative side with dusky rose pearlescent pigment ink then cut out the centre.

- 2 For the central panel, open a herringbone embossing folder and apply black ink evenly to the black side. Place a pink cardstock panel inside the folder and emboss to give a textured, coloured background panel.

- 3 Place a dark brown cardstock panel face down on the black side of the butterfly pattern embossing folder, and emboss. Gently rub a clear emboss pigment ink pad over the panel. Sprinkle gold embossing powder over the top and carefully flick the card so only a little powder remains, then heat with a heat tool.







# Play & craft

Everything is coming up daisies in this lovely little vegetable patch!



Make a few small holes in the plants to make it look like the caterpillar has been nibbling!





**Sarah Jackman-Read**  
A weekend make



**N**ow the days are getting longer and brighter it's time to start thinking about sorting out your garden. Don't worry, you don't have to venture out and get all muddy - help the kids make their very own indoor garden! Use the templates on page 93 as a guide to cutting out the flowers and vegetables from felt and foam.

## Garden

Cut away the front of a cereal box, glue green funky foam around the sides and then add a fence made from lollipop sticks across the back. Snip into green felt to make grass and glue around the inside of the box. To make the soil, glue rows of polystyrene balls in the bottom of the box, then drape brown felt over the top, pushing in-between the rows. Glue the felt in place, making furrows. Decorate with funky foam letters, and butterfly and flower stickers.

## Cauliflowers

Glue five small polystyrene balls together and glue a circle of white felt over them, pushing the felt between the gaps. Glue two pale green and two dark green felt leaves around the sides.

## Tulips

Fold a green chenille stem in two loops to form leaves. Cut a second green chenille stem in half and glue to the leaves, twisting to secure. Glue a felt flower head to the top of the stem, place a small pompom in the centre and glue the second flower head on top.

## Beetroot

Cut two beetroots in plum coloured felt and two leaves in green funky foam. Place a pompom between the two felt beetroot pieces and glue



together, leaving a hole at the top. Draw veins on the leaves and glue in the top of the beetroot.

## Daisies

Make flower stems from Canadian pine stems in the same way as for the tulips. Cut one inner daisy in white felt and one outer daisy in white funky foam. Sandwich the stem between the daisy shapes and add a yellow pompom to the centre.

## Carrots

Roll an orange felt square into a cone, place a small polystyrene ball in the top and glue to secure. Glue three green felt strips inside the top of the carrot.

## MUST ♥ HAVES

- ♥ **Craft Planet** Acrylic Felt Various Colours RRP 50p each
  - ♥ Canadian Pine Stems RRP £1 ♥ Chenille Striped Stems RRP £2.50 ♥ Extra Large Natural Craft Sticks RRP £1.50
  - ♥ Funky Foam Various Colours RRP 65p each
- Turn to page 96 for the full list of supplies

## How to... make a caterpillar



**1** Cut a red chenille stem in half. Place a selection of medium sized pompoms next to the stem to decide which colours to use and how many you will need.



**2** When you're happy with the colour of your caterpillar, glue the pompoms in place with PVA glue. Add some wiggle eyes to the front and leave to dry.



**3** Once everything is dry, bend into a caterpillar shape. Nestle your new colourful friend amongst the vegetables and flowers and start to play!

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# Three ways with... POMPOMS



Sarah Jackman-Read  
Morning makes

Open up a packet of *Craft Planet* Pompoms and you have a handful of fluffy loveliness! There are so many shapes, sizes and colours to choose from and they are perfect for an array of crafting projects. There are cute pastels, funky brights and even sparkly iridescent to choose from and they will add a little fun dimension to your makes. They can be sewn or glued in place easily, so go on, dive into a pack and enjoy!

## Cake topper

Make a colourful cake topper with pompoms and wooden skewers - simply thread the pompoms on white thread and glue to the tops of skewers. The pompoms cover the joins and add extra decoration. Draw numbers on cardstock, cut out with a craft knife and cover with the smallest sized pompoms. This can easily be changed for another birthday! Add a lovely touch of sparkle with iridescent pompoms. Perfect for a child's birthday!

## Bunny card

There are limitless animals to be made with a selection of pompoms and a few pairs of wiggle eyes. For this card I've used pure white pompoms in various sizes and with a little felt added it's very easy to make a rabbit. The white pompoms co-ordinate easily with any colour scheme and are perfect as a cute embellishment to a new baby card. If you want the card to be a little flatter then trim the pompoms down one side before gluing in place. Instant cuteness!

## Cushion

Pompoms can be added to any tired old cushion to give it a new lease of life. Just choose a selection that match your colour scheme and sew in place. If you're not a confident sewer then glue instead. I've added a cute pompom heart to this cushion to match the heart fabric, but it would be equally effective with many other shapes. To help achieve a perfect heart shape, die cut a heart in felt and sew on the cushion before adding the pompoms on top.



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Beckie Dreyer  
Morning makes

Turn to page 96 to find the full list of craft supplies used to make Beckie's project

## Your cover gift



# Pretty kitty

Get cracking on making your stash of cards to give throughout the year with the Little Meow cover gift decoupage

**A**dorable, playful kittens take centre stage in the brand new Little Meow collection from Papermania and this month's cover gift decoupage toppers set the scene for super-cute cards full of fun, and are a charming way to send a little greeting to your friends and loved ones. Teamed with Little Meow papers, trims and ribbon, they are a great way to make quick cards to bring smiles all round.

### 'Love' gatefold card

**1** Emboss a 13.5 x 13.5cm gatefold card with an Xcut Woodgrain Embossing Folder. Cover the inside of the card with yellow floral paper. Mat the base layer of the rectangular kittens decoupage on pink polka dot paper and adhere inside the card.

**2** Assemble the rest of the decoupage and glue to the left flap of the card front, making sure that it corresponds with the base layer on the inside. Glue a yellow mini 3D bow over a pink ribbon bow, top with a die-cut heart and add to the decoupage. Add the 'someone special' greeting.

**3** Wrap yellow lace trim down the edges of the card fronts. Punch six hearts from pink polka dot paper and add to the yellow trim on each

side. Push out the 'love' letters from the 'with love' decoupage and add to the card front. Set aside the rest of the decoupage to use on the 'with love' card.

### 'Just to say thanks' card

**1** Wrap pale green lace trim around the bottom of a 13 x 13cm piece of pale green paper and mat on a 13.5 x 13.5cm card blank.

**2** Glue a 13 x 6cm strip of pink large spotted paper across the centre of the panel.

**3** Assemble the cat with cocktail glass decoupage using 3D foam squares. Cut a slit in the yellow die-cut heart and slot over the top of the glass. Glue the decoupage in the centre of the card front using double-sided tape.

**4** Stamp six hearts on pink polka dot paper and punch out using a medium Xcut Heart Palm Punch. Attach the hearts with 3D foam dots to the join between the lace trim and the pink large spotted panel and add a 'Just To Say Thanks' greeting in the middle. Finish the card with small adhesive pearls in the centre of the punched hearts.

### 'With love' card

**1** Wrap a length of pink lace trim around the bottom section of a 10.1 x 14.4cm piece of purple floral paper.

**2** Assemble the 'with love' decoupage, including the layer set aside from the 'love' gatefold card, using 3D foam dots, mat on green paper and trim to fit. Glue to the patterned paper panel over the lace trim.

**3** Add a large orange ribbon bow on the right with a 'Special Birthday Wishes' sentiment tucked behind the kitten.

**4** Cut a green heart from patterned paper and add to the image with die-cut circles and a button. Glue the finished panel to an A6 card blank.



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YOUR COVER GIFT







**Becky James**  
A day make

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## In the frame

Take a look at this pretty vintage chalkboard-effect card and then have a go creating your own!

**I**t's no exaggeration to say that I am a lover of all things shabby chic so I jumped at the opportunity to play with the gorgeous new Bellissima picture frames. Make your own message, or even add a photo to the picture frame to personalise the card.

Create the background by matting Eau de Nil paper on black cardstock and adding a punched

Wild Rose leafy lace border. Mat lighter Wild Rose paper to a smaller black cardstock panel, add to the larger panel then wrap Capsule Midnight Blush crochet trim, and Wild Rose and Oyster blush ribbons over the panels and add the panels to the card blank. Create the chalkboard frame and rose as detailed and complete the card with a large ribbon bow, a button and adhesive gems.

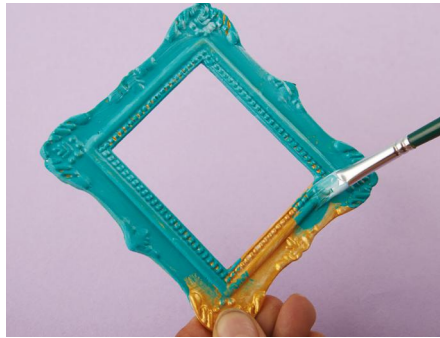
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## How to... make the chalkboard-effect frame



1 Cover the frame with a few coats of gold acrylic paint, drying thoroughly between coats. Apply crackle glaze and leave for about two hours to dry.



2 Mix conifer green acrylic paint with a little baby blue acrylic paint to achieve a teal colour. Apply all over the glaze and allow the cracks to form as the paint dries.



3 Using a dry paint brush, apply a little tea rose acrylic paint across the glazed detail to highlight the raised areas, and then finish with a touch of black ink.



4 To create the chalkboard greeting, stamp the corners of a black 7 x 6cm cardstock panel with the Bellissima picture frame clear stamp. Stamp the greeting and heat emboss all the stamps in white.



5 Glue the embossed chalk-effect panel behind the frame's aperture and finish by adding hand-drawn detail and a few pink adhesive gems. Apply to the card blank using 3D foam tape.

## How to... make the rose



1 Cut individual petals away from two or three large Eau de Nil big bloomers. Wrap two of the petals tightly around a cocktail stick with the pattern facing outwards.



2 Start adding the outer petals, this time with the pattern facing inwards towards the first two petals. Move around the cocktail stick, overlapping petals as you go.



3 When the rose is the required size for your project, shape and open up the flower by pulling the petals outwards. Wrap patterned craft tape around the stick.





# Must ♥ haves

Spring into action with pretty paper flowers

*Papermania* Big Bloomers add that perfect finishing touch to a card, whether they're layered up to form a full flower or used individually as a focal point with a button centre.

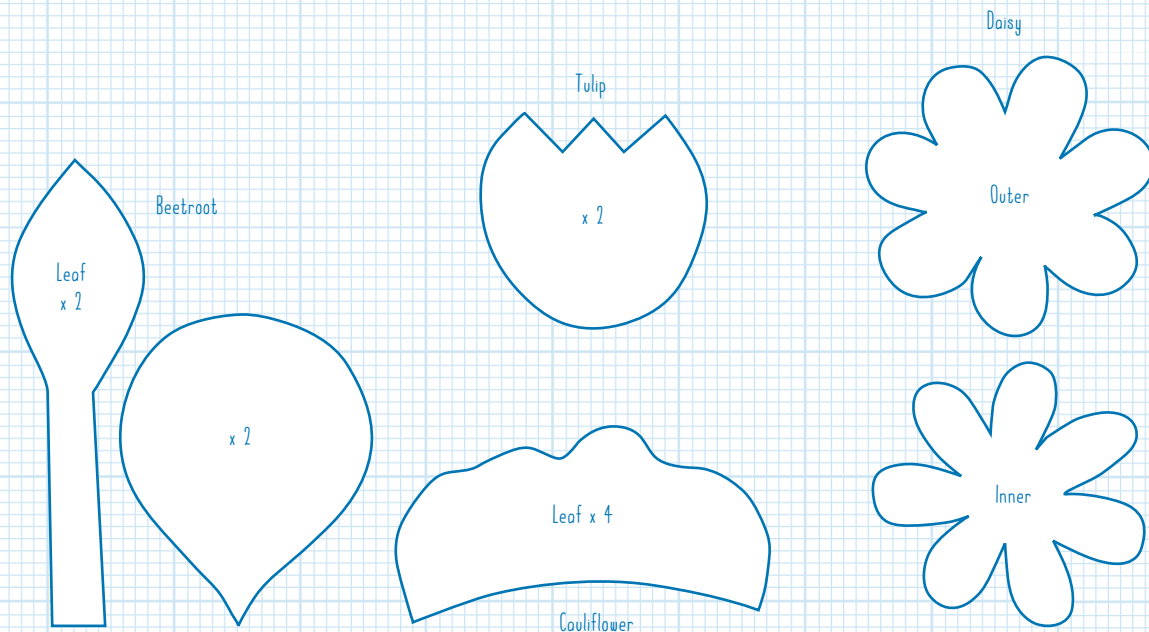
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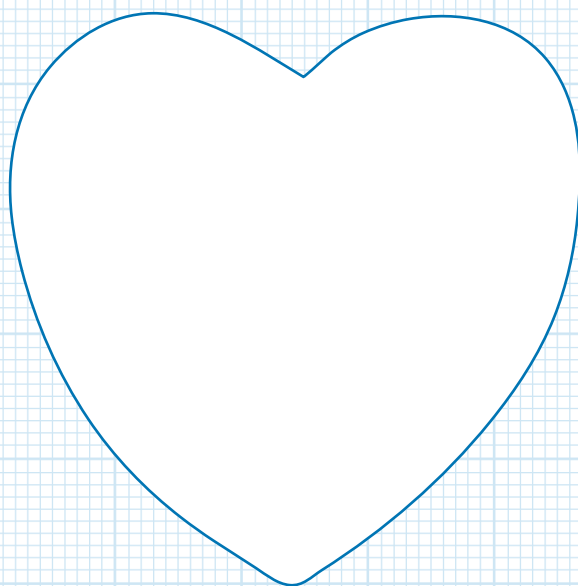
## Play & craft

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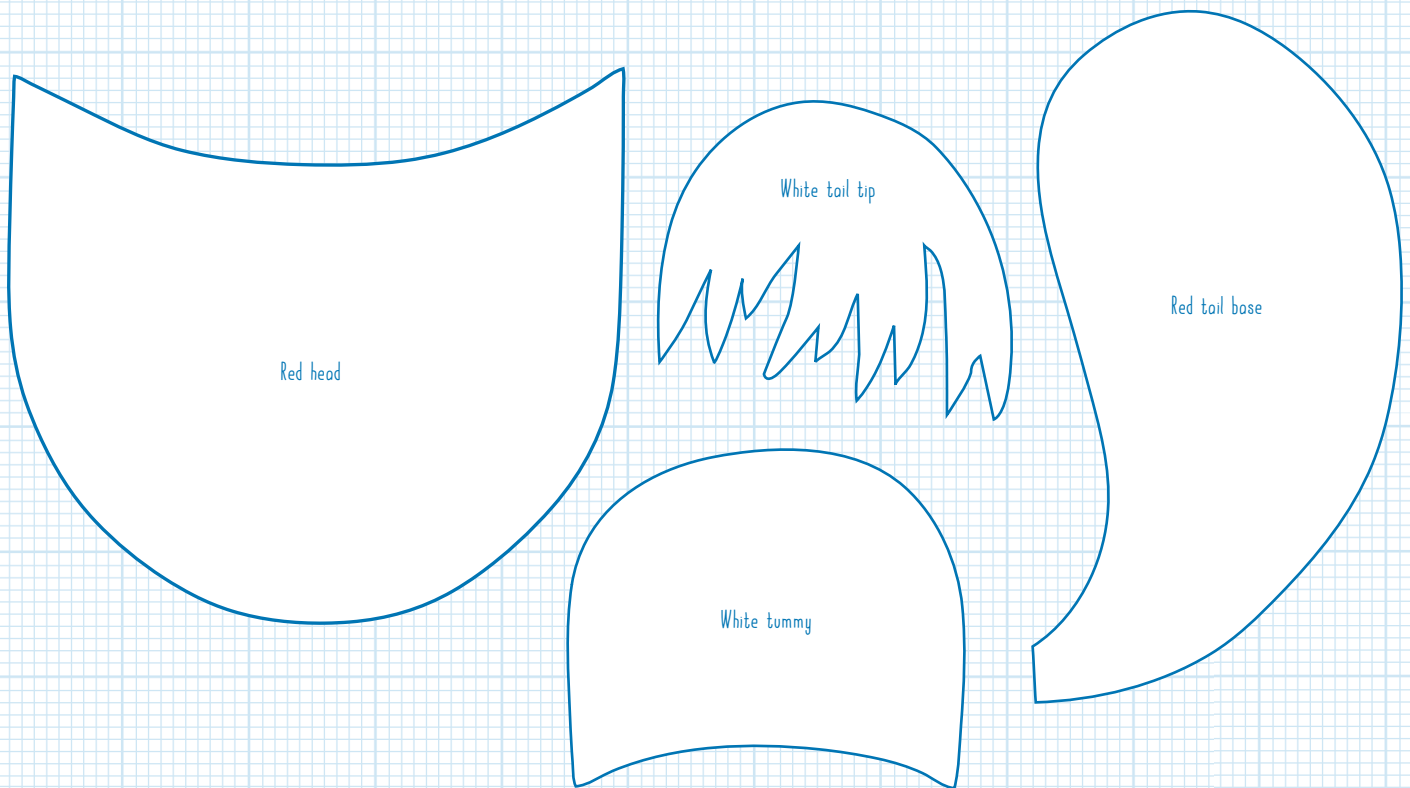
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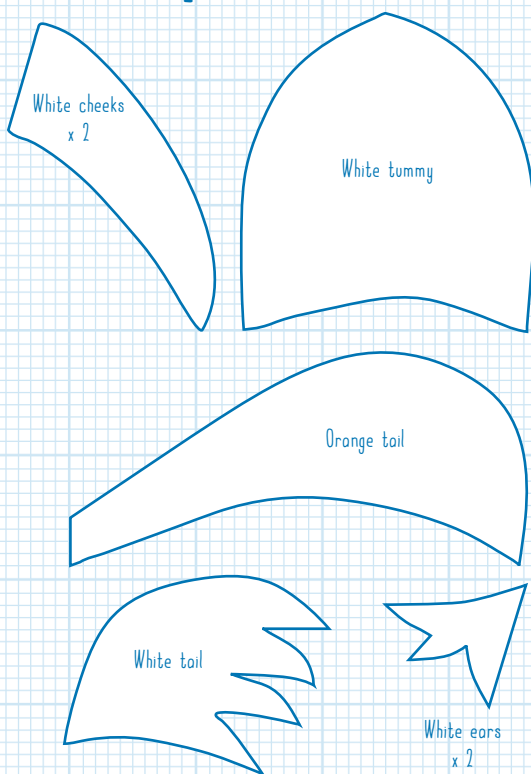


## Country cuties - squirrel

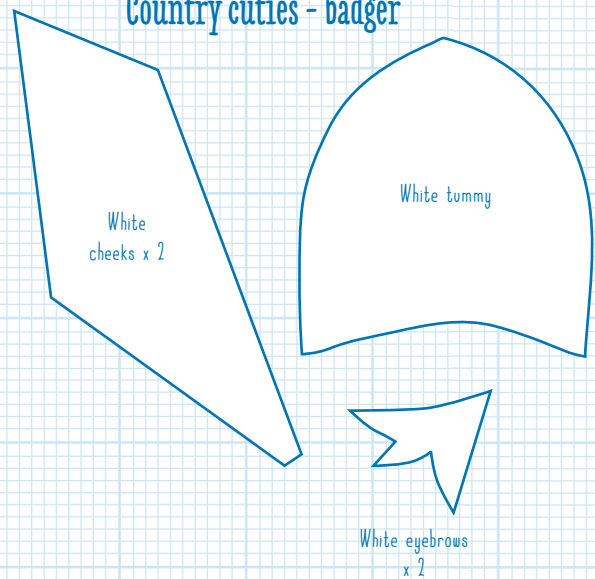
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## Country cuties - fox



## Country cuties - badger

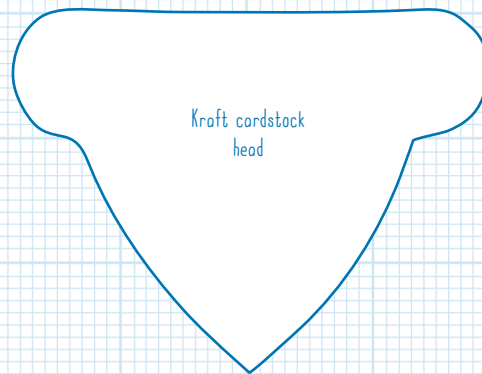
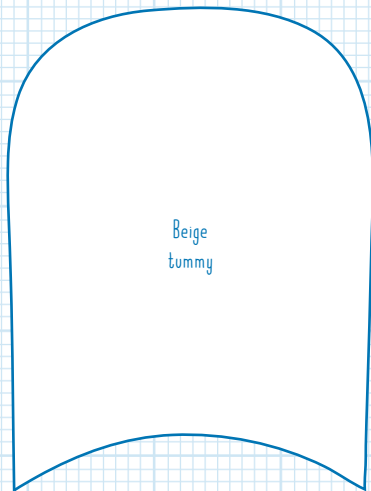


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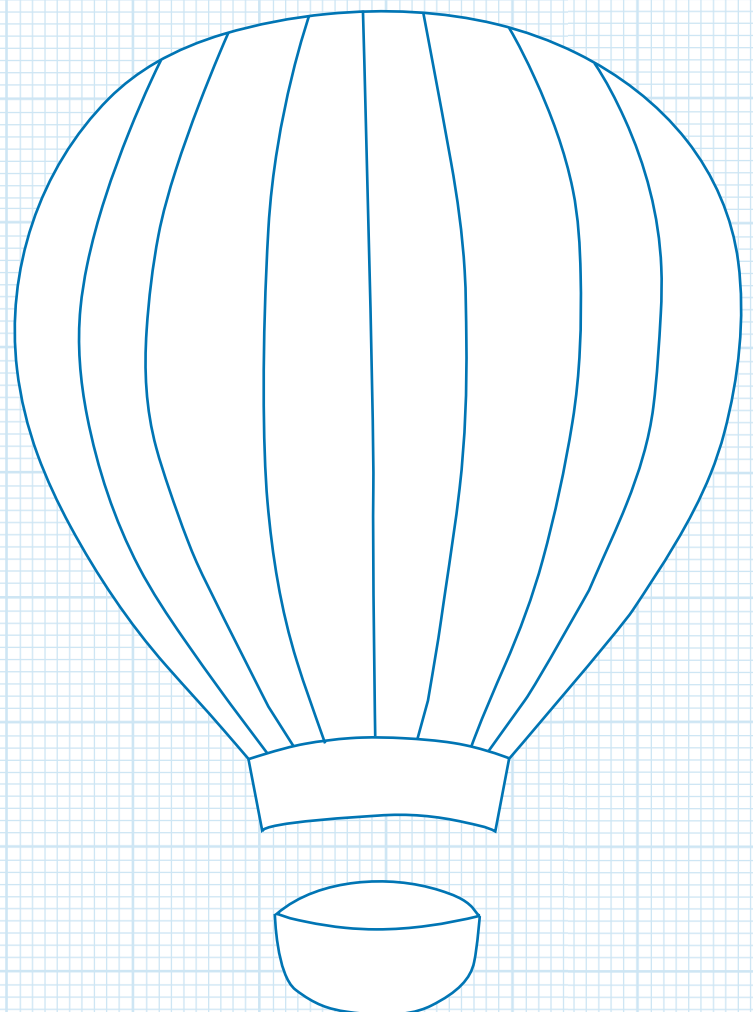
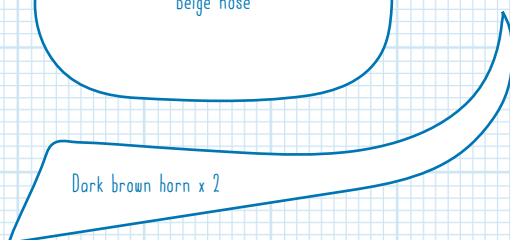
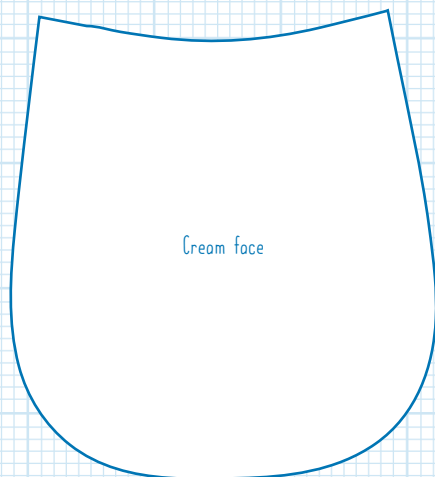
### Country cuties - hedgehog



### Up, up and away...

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### Country cuties - highland cow



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# Shopping list



## P.16 Curious kitties

**Papermania Little Meow** A4 Decoupage Pack Cakes (PMA 169113), A4 Paper Pack (PMA 160180), A4 Ultimate Die-cut & Paper Pack (PMA 160182), Alphabet Stickers (PMA 803120), Buttons (PMA 354019), Large Ribbon Bows (PMA 354809), Mini 3D Bows (PMA 367244), Mini Clear Stamp Someone Special (PMA 907217), Mixed Trims (PMA 358337), Ribbon (PMA 367129), Stitched Ribbon Tags (PMA 157245) **Xcut** A5 Die Set English Countryside Borders (XCU 503047), Small Palm Punch Daisy (XCU 261606)

## P.18 Cupid's bow

**Anita's** 3D Clear Gloss (ANT 763100) **Papermania Bellissima Christmas** Charm Pack (PMA 356903), Grosgrain Ribbon (PMA 367692) **Capsule Wild Rose** Lace Paper (PMA 160709) **Madame Payraud** Buttons (PMA 354501) **Victorian Valentine** A4 Decoupage Pack Hearts (PMA 169099), A4 Paper Pack (PMA 160174), A4 Ultimate Die-cut & Paper Pack (PMA 160176), A5 Clear Stamps Set (PMA 907442), Die-cut Sentiments (PMA 157240), Velvet Ribbon (PMA 367603) **Vintage Notes** Lace Borders (PMA 367401)

## P.22 Pop up love

**Create Christmas** A4 Glitter Paper Pack (PMA 160919) **Papermania Capsule Brights** Bakers Twine (PMA 171203) **Capsule Jewels** Ribbon (PMA 367110), Ribbon Bows (PMA 367208) **Xcut** A5 Die Set Pop Up Card Love (XCU 503242), Nesting Dies Square (XCU 503402), Small Palm Punch Traditional Heart (XCU 261603)

## P.24 Cookie love

**Little Venice Cake Company** 8" Stainless Steel Palette Knife (LVC 220100) Cutter Heart (LVC 260104), Disposable Piping Bags (LVC 230101), Flat Smoother Lace White (LVC 220121), Non-Stick Icing Sheet By Bake-O-Glide (LVC 215140), Piping Nozzle (#1) Superfine Writer (LVC 230111), (#3) Medium Writer (LVC 230114), Professional Modelling Kit & Cotton Tool Wrap (LVC 235200), Professional Smooth Rolling Pin Medium

(LVC 215121), Small (LVC 215122), Tweezers Cupped (LVC 215114) **Papermania Bare Basics** Wooden Alphabet Stamps (PMA 174641)

**Other** Chocolate Cookie Dough, Edible Food Colouring, Modelling Paste (Sugarpaste with Tylo Powder), Royal Icing (Baby Pink, Fuchsia, Scarlet)

## P.28 Say it with florals

**Glitz it** Glitter Glue Iridescent (GLT 43201) **Papermania Simply Floral** 6 x 6" Cards & Envelopes (PMA 150608), A4 Decoupage Pack Bright Blooms (PMA 169119), Pastel Blooms (PMA 169120), Crochet Trims (PMA 358339), Die-cut Notelets (PMA 157246), Mini Flower Buttons (PMA 354035), Ribbon (PMA 367130), Ribbon Bows (PMA 367230), Stitched Trims (PMA 358338)

**Xcut** Corner Punch 2 in 1 (XCU 257003), Detailed Border Punch Large Dotted Scallop (XCU 257108), Screw Hole Punch (XCU 268120), Small Palm Punch Petal (XCU 261608)



## P.32 Coming up daisies

**Papermania** Acetate (PMA 1681200) **Bellissima** A4 Ultimate Die Cut & Paper Pack Foiled (PMA 160179) **Capsule Eau de Nil** 8 x 8" Paper Pack (PMA 160227) **Capsule French Lavender** 8 x 8" Paper Pack (PMA 160233), Large Ribbon Bows (PMA 367217) **Capsule Wild Rose** Polka Dot Buttons (PMA 354033) **Xcut** A5 Die Set Daisy Chain Frame (XCU 503243)

## P.44 Turn up the heat

**Papermania** A4 Mirror Board Assorted Gold & Silver (PMA 164500) **Art Deco** Outline Stickers Silver Borders (PMA 810121) **Capsule Bexley Black** Mini Polka Buttons (PMA 354023) **Santoro's Gorjuss** Bakers Twine (GOR 171200) **Xcut** A5 Dies Set Kitchen Utensils (XCU 503198), A5 Die Set Suit Card (XCU 503026), Alphabet Dies Centurion (XCU 503083), Corner Punch 10mm (XCU 257000), Nesting Dies Circle (XCU 503416), Small Palm Punch Square (XCU 261601)

## P.48 Primrose wreath

**Cousin** Head Pins With Ball Silver (COU 34719048)

**Craft Planet** 4.5cm Polystyrene Balls (CPT 827903)

**Papermania Bare Basics** Canvas Squares (PMA 174409), Jute Ribbon (PMA 174501), Large Burlap Bows (PMA 174502), Natural Jute Set (PMA 174171)

**Madame Payraud** Mixed Trims (PMA 358331)

**Sew Lovely** 6 x 6" Paper Pack (PMA 160166)

**Xcut** A5 Dies Set Leaves (XCU 503194), Medium Palm Punch Petal (XCU 261710) **Other** Wire Coat Hanger

## P.50 Quick make

**Papermania Bare Basics** Cork Stickers Alphabet Circles (PMA 174803), Cork Tags Gift Tags (PMA 174804), Jute Ribbon (PMA 174501), Mini Wooden Pegs (PMA 174604) **Capsule Parisienne Blue** Patterned Craft Tape (PMA 462206), Pleated Fabric Trim (PMA 358381) **Chalk Craft** Wooden Chalkboard Shapes Arrows (PMA 355418) **Madame Payraud** Patterned Craft Tape (PMA 462208)

## P.54 With love from Bellissima

**Papermania Bellissima** 6 x 6" Paper Pack (PMA 160178), 12 x 12" Paper Pack (PMA 160177), 3D Bows (PMA 367243), A4 Decoupage Pack Foiled Congratulations (PMA 169108), Adhesive Resin Frames (PMA 269102), Charm Pack (PMA 354808), Clear Stamps Doily Frame (PMA 907213), Large Ribbon Bows (PMA 367228), Ribbon (PMA 367128) **Oyster Blush** Adhesive Crochet Border (PMA 358302) **Sew Lovely** Assorted Buttons (PMA 354802) **Xcut** Extra Large Nesting Dies Square Parenthesis (XCU 503426), Nesting Dies Oval Large (XCU 503410)

## P.58 Birds of a feather

**Cousin** Nylon Beading Thread White (COU 2469101), Seed Beads Crystal Rainbow Mix (COU 54822), Crystal/Silver E Bead (COU 54820) **Craft Planet** Acrylic Felt Baby Blue (CPT 7005), Lavender (CPT 7016), Light Green (CPT 7007), Pink (CPT 7019) **Papermania Capsule Pastels** Fat Quarters (PMA 358400), Felt Bundle (PMA 358500) **Xcut** Nesting Dies Leaves 1 (XCU 503040), Paisley Leaves (XCU 503422)







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### P.62 A cup of roses

**Cousin** Beading Wire 24 Gauge Silver (COU 3201802), 4mm Glass Pearl Beads White (COU 34722001), 6mm Glass Pearl Beads Gold (COU 34722059)

**Create Christmas** Christmas Ribbon Gold Polka Dots (PMA 367922), Embellishments Pack Gold (PMA 354853) **Papermania** Charm Pack (PMA 354807)

**Victorian Valentine** A4 Paper Pack (PMA 160174), A4 Ultimate Die-cut & Paper Pack (PMA 160176)

**Vintage Notes** Lace Borders (PMA 367401)

**Other** Cocktail Sticks, Oasis



### P.64 Hidden delights

**Cover Gifts Papermania Simply Floral** 6 x 6" Paper Pack, Ribbon Pack **Papermania Simply Floral** A4 Decoupage Pack Pastel Blooms (PMA 169120), Die-cut Sentiments (PMA 157247), Large Ribbon Bows (PMA 367230), Mini Flower Buttons (PMA 354035)

### P.68 Up, up and away

**Cousin** Beading Wire 24 Gauge Silver (COU 3201802) **Glitz it** Glitter Glue Iridescent (GLT 43201) **Papermania** Shrink Plastic (PMA 169206) **Bare Basics** Raffia Natural (PMA 1751100) **Bellissima** A4 Ultimate Die-cut & Paper Pack Foiled (PMA 160179), Clear Stamps Alphas (PMA 907212), Charm Pack (PMA 354808), Decoupage Paper Sheets (PMA 169105), Large Ribbon Bows (PMA 367228)

**Capsule Brights** Bakers Twine (PMA 171203) **Capsule Jewels** Patterned Craft Tape (PMA 462203) **Capsule Pastels** Bakers Twine (PMA 171201) **Chronology** Gears (PMA 353202), Label Plates (PMA 353205) **Madame Payraud** Buttons (PMA 354501), Patterned Craft Tape (PMA 462208)

**Xcut** 6 x 6" Embossing Folder Wicker (XCU 515174)

**Other** Bamboo Skewer, Bottle Tops, Old Light Bulb

### P.76 A necklace for all seasons

**Cousin** Glass Pearls White 4mm (COU 34722001), 6mm (COU 34722003), 8mm (COU 34722005), 10mm (COU 34722102), Curb Chain Silver (COU 34718092), Flat

Chain Silver Small (COU 34718005), Flower Caps Metal Silver (COU 34708239), Mixed Connectors Metal Silver (COU 34708027), Rhinestone Connectors Metal Neutrals (COU 34708427), Round Toggles Silver Small (COU 34719035), Starter Pack Silver (COU 34719059), Twist Chain Gunmetal (COU 34718006)

### P.80 Love bookprint

**Papermania** A5 Paper Pack Bookprint (PMA 160117)

**Urban Stamps** Bird Print (PMA 907122), Botanical Print (PMA 907124) **Santorino's Gorjuss Urban Stamps** The Collector (GOR 907114), The Fox (GOR 907110)

**Stick it!** Masking Tape Roll (STI 7000) **Xcut** Nesting Dies Heart (XCU 503412)

### P.86 Play and craft

**Craft Planet** Acrylic Felt Green (CPT 7008), Lavender (CPT 7016), Light Brown (CPT 7017), Light Green (CPT 7007), Orange (CPT 7009), Pink (CPT 7019), Plum (CPT 7010), White (CPT 7000), Canadian Pine Stems Fine Green (CPT 6701205), Chenille Striped Stems 10 Assorted Colours (CPT 6601105), Crafty Foam Letters Assorted Colours (CPT 414108), Fun Stickers Birds & Flowers (CPT 805258), Butterflies (CPT 805215), Funky Foam Sheet Green (CPT 80252), Hunter (CPT 80272), White (CPT 80258), Lollipop Sticks Natural Extra Large (CPT 6681109), Polystyrene Balls Assorted Sizes (CPT 827905), Pompoms Assorted Colours (CPT 6621103), Wiggle Eyes Oval Black & White Assorted Sizes (CPT 6671108) **Other** Cereal Box



### P.88 Pretty kitty

**Cover Gift Papermania Little Meow** A4 Decoupage **Papermania Little Meow** A4 Ultimate Die-cut & Paper Pack (PMA 160182), Buttons (PMA 354019), Large Ribbon Bows (PMA 354809), Mini 3D Bows (PMA 367244), Mini Clear Stamp Someone Special (PMA 907217), Mixed Trims (PMA 358337) **Xcut** 6 x 6" Embossing Folder Woodgrain (XCU 515173), Medium Palm Punch Traditional Heart (XCU 261704)

### P.90 In the frame

**Artiste** Speciality Medium Crackle (DOA 763007)

**Papermania Bellissima** Clear Stamps Picture Frame (PMA 907214), Picture Frame (PMA 269101)

**Capsule Eau de Nil** 8 x 8" Paper Pack (PMA 160227), Big Bloomers (PMA 368112)

**Capsule Jewels** Patterned Craft Tape (PMA 462203) **Capsule Midnight Blush** Jumbo Crochet Trim (PMA 358206)

**Capsule Oyster Blush** Ribbon (PMA 367112) **Capsule Wild Rose** 8 x 8" Paper Pack (PMA 160230), Large Ribbon Bows (PMA 367116), Ribbon (PMA 367115)

**Xcut** Decorative Border Punch Leafy Lace (XCU 257903)

**Other** Cocktail Stick

## Stash Essentials

**Anita's** Card/Envelopes Various, Ribbon Various, Tacky Glue (PVA 22171)

**Artiste** Acrylic Paint Various, Dual Tip Brush Markers Various, Dual Tip Pens Thick & Thin Various, Metallic Gel Pen Trio Gold, Silver & White (DOA 855100), Pigment and Dye Ink Pads Various, Spritzing Ink Various, Value Brush Set (DOA 767202)

**Core'dinations** Core Card Various **Cousin** Precision Comfort Flush Cutter (COU 6863), Precision Comfort Needle Nose Pliers (COU 6854), Precision Comfort Round Nose Pliers (COU 6858)

**Craft Planet** 5" Craft Scissors Kids (CPT 263100), PVA School Glue (CPT 30500)

**Glitz it** Glitter Various **Papermania** A4 Mirror Board Assorted Gold & Silver Pack (PMA 164500), A4 Stamp Pad Foam (PMA 169207), Adhesive Stones and Pearls Various, Basics Heat Tool Pink (PMA 4012000), Brown String (PMA 171211), Card/Envelopes Various, Clear Stamp

Block Various, Embossing Powder Various, Kraftstax Various, Mini Ink Pads Dye Based Assorted Colours (PMA 5521101), Pigment Assorted Colours (PMA 5521100)

**Capsule** A4 Premium Cardstock Textured Multi (PMA 1641400), White (PMA 1641500) **Sailor** 2 In 1 Glue Pen (SAI 4631000)

**Stick it!** 3D Foam Dots (STI 4001), 3D Foam Tape (STI 7201), 3D Mini Foam Dots (STI 4002), Double Sided Tape (STI 462102), Glue Sticks (STI 3015), Glue Gun Hot Melt Red (STI 2000), Removable Adhesive Roller (STI 5010), Sticky Glue Pen (STI 463100)

**Xcut** 4 In 1 Embossing Pen (XCU 268701), 9mm Craft Knife Soft Grip (XCU 255102), 12" Steel Ruler (XCU 255300), 13" Guillotine (XCU 268411), 13" Xtrim (XCU 268400), A4 Magnetic Shim (XCU 268014), A4 Xpress Die-cutting Machine (XCU 268300), Paper Creaser Set (XCU 268700), Scissors Various, Tempered Glass Cutting Mat (XCU 268434)



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